

LEGION AUXILIARY PARTY A SUCCESS

The first Christmas party was held by the members of Daly City Unit No. 410, American Legion, on Friday evening, December 18, in Eagles Hall, and was one that will be long remembered by the little guests.

Seventy-three children were entertained, each being presented with a gift, candy, cookies and fruit, by Santa Claus, who arrived promptly at the close of the excellent program which had been prepared by the members of the committee.

Sandwiches and coffee were served to the grownups, and "Doc's Haywire Orchestra" played for dancing. The party and program were voted a huge success by old and young.

The Daly City unit wishes to extend the season's greetings to one and all; also to thank the residents of Daly City for their splendid support in the many activities during the past year.

The following program was presented at the Christmas party:

"Christmas Carol," sung by Edwin Davies.

Recitation, "The Lookout Man"—Virginia Orr.

Recitation—Eldon Prizbroski.

Song—Virginia Callens, accompanied by Haywire Orchestra.

"Christmas Songs"—By orchestra.

Recitation, "Sweetest Every Year"—Shirley Jones.

Recitation, "Little Boy Blue"—Caroline Woodside.

Pageant, "Halt, Pilgrim, Halt"—Eight Junior Comrades.

Recitation, "Christmas Day in the Poorhouse"—Gladys Brown.

Recitation, "Grandma's Mistake"—Guinivere Callson.

Recitation, "If I Were Santa Claus"—Violet Prizbroski.

Song, "When the Moon Comes Over the Mountain"—Edwin Davies.

Recitation, "Christmas Day Stockings"—Alice Sanders.

Recitation—Barbara Gassliner.

Recitation, "Kiss Kringle—Marion Millor.

ENTERTAINS MEMBERS OF GRADUATION CLASS

The members of the Crocker Parent-Teachers' Association entertained the members of the graduating class of the Crocker school, their teacher, Miss Suber, and the mothers of the graduates at a most delightful luncheon last Friday in the Crocker club rooms, between 12 and 1:30 o'clock.

The members of the committee included Mrs. Bertha MacCarthy, Mrs. Orville Pauw, Mrs. Helen Grantham, Mrs. M. Wegner, Mrs. Della Campbell, Mrs. J. Swan, Mrs. Anne Eason and Mrs. Ethel Bolger.

PICTURES OF NEW RESERVOIR AT THE DALY CITY THEATRE

When Daly City's new million gallon reservoir was dedicated, on Thanksgiving morning, with appropriate exercises, motion pictures were taken which should be of interest to every resident of Daly City.

Manager Covel of the Daly City theatre announces that these pictures will be shown at the local theatre today (Christmas) and tomorrow (Saturday) at all performances.

This will be an excellent opportunity for residents of Daly City to see the new reservoir and witness the dedication ceremonies.

DEATH CLAIMS COLMA WOMAN

Last Tuesday Mrs. Caterina Vigna, of Colma, passed away after a short illness. Mrs. Vigna leaves a grown family to mourn her passing. She was the beloved mother of Joseph Vigna, Mrs. Maria Pedemonte, Mrs. Matilda Fiorucci, and sister of Giuseppe Perasso, of Sonoma. Mrs. Vigna was a native of Italy, aged 70 years. The funeral was conducted from the funeral home of Valente, Marini, Perata & Co., of Mission street, last Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, thence to Corpus Christi church, where mass was celebrated for the repose of her soul, commencing at 10 o'clock. Interment was in the Italian cemetery.

AMNESIA VICTIM RECOVERS AND RETURNS TO HOME

George Remar, amnesia victim, held at San Mateo for several days, recovered his memory last Monday, and got in touch with relatives at Leemoore, near Fresno. Remar said he had come to Oakland seeking a job as an airplane pilot, and then continued to San Mateo because of the Curtis-Wright port there and Mills field where he hoped to secure employment.

Remar was an airplane pilot before the World war, and joined the French army in 1914, he said. He was gassed and twice wounded with bullets, and fell 15,000 feet in a flaming plane, he said.

CROCKER CHAPTER INSTALLS OFFICERS

The installation of officers of Crocker Chapter No. 382, O. E. S., took place in Crocker Masonic Temple on Friday evening, December 18, at 8 o'clock, with many members and their friends in attendance. The host and hostess for the evening were Matrup Jensen and America Parker. The officers were installed by the retiring Matron, Ada Van Valkenburg, and retiring Patron, Howard Neff, and Stella Jensen, installing Chaplain, with Louise Aitchison and Lilly Riddell, escorted by Jobs Daughters, Sally Neff and Dorothy Riddell, representing Bethels No. 25 and 54.

The officers chosen to conduct the work of the Chapter for the ensuing year are: Anna Neff, Worthy Matron; Edward Weisenburger, Worthy Patron; Sybil Riddell, Associate Matron; George Batz, Associate Patron; Emma Hoadley, Secretary; Jeannette Fisher, Treasurer; Rose Friedrichs, Chaplain; Maud Hanselmann, Organist; Ada Van Valkenburg, Marshal; Ursula Vickers, Warder; Mary Jaques, Sentinel; Louise Bartell, Marguerite Woodside, Margaret Twiston, Louise Clemens and Eleanor Carle, Star Officers.

The regular meeting held on Monday evening was followed by an entertainment, Miss Sybil Riddell acting as chairman. The program was greatly enjoyed by a large audience.

The annual Christmas tree party given Tuesday evening, December 22, by Crocker Lodge No. 454 and Crocker Chapter No. 382 was a delightful affair, being thoroughly enjoyed by the little ones and the grownups as well. Mrs. Ada Van Valkenburg, Worthy Matron of Crocker Chapter, and Mr. James G. Allen, Worshipful Master of Crocker Lodge, were in charge.

There was a splendid Christmas tree, which contained gifts for the children, a Santa Claus who delighted the little ones, and a program by the children which was a credit to all who had a part in the successful and enjoyable evening.

DEATH CALLS FIRST MAYOR OF DALY CITY

Edward Freyer, of Los Banos avenue, passed away last Saturday after a long illness. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Irene Freyer, and daughters Lillian Freyer and Mrs. Edna Hilgert, and son Albert Freyer. Mr. Freyer was a member of Occidental Lodge No. 22, F. & A. M.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 P. M. last Tuesday from Martin & Brown's undertaking parlors, under the auspices of Occidental Lodge No. 22, F. & A. M.

The flag floated at half mast in Daly City last Tuesday in honor of Mr. Freyer, the first mayor of Daly City.

MUSICAL SERVICE AT M. E. CHURCH

On Sunday evening, December 27, there will be a special musical service at the Methodist church, corner of Santa Barbara and Vista Grande avenue, at 8 o'clock. A program of exceptional merit has been arranged by Mrs. Secor, who is also the pianist and accompanist. The program follows:

Voluntary—Mrs. H. F. Secor.
Processional, "Onward Christian Soldiers"—Choir.

Flag Salute.

Invocation.

Gloria Patria.

Remarks by the Pastor, Rev. R. C. Stahl.

Hymn, "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

Hymn, "Silent Night."

Prayer—Pastor.

Victrola Record, "Hear My Prayer, O God"—Mendelssohn.

Hymn, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

Offertory—Mrs. H. F. Secor.

Quartet, "Praise Ye the Father"—Mrs. Owen, Mrs. Stahl, Homer Stahl, R. C. Stahl.

Violin Solo, Selected—Mr. Brown.

Hymn, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night."

Solo, "There's a Song in the Air"—Mrs. James Bennett.

Hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Victrola Record, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

Hymn, "Joy to the World."

Benediction.

Hymn, "Now the Day is Over."

Recessional—Mrs. H. F. Secor.

The members of the chorus choir are: Sopranos, Mrs. James Bennett, Mrs. Walter Owen, Mrs. Martin Johnson, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Thomey; Altos, Mrs. Forest, Mrs. Stahl; Tenors, Alois Lang, Mr. Stahl; Basses, Mr. Brown, Homer Stahl; Accompanist, Mrs. H. F. Secor.

THE MESSAGE OF A TREE

With the approach of the Christmas season of 1931, Daly City offers to the world a radiant greeting. A stately cypress tree situated on a lofty eminence close by our civic center has been prepared for community service, and has become a brilliant Christmas beacon.

The skill of willing workers and the plans of thoughtful minds have been combined to present the time-honored message of cheer and good will through the medium of a living and glorified Christmas tree. Twelve hundred glowing lights nestle among the branches, and the glad greeting of the ages streams out across the sky.

Thousands of travelers sweeping northward along our highways have paused to marvel at the luster of this wonderful tree. From distant Skyline and from Mount Davidson's slopes its appealing beauty has been viewed with unbounded admiration. This unique emblem of the spirit of Yuletide has excited interest far beyond the limits of our community and has attracted many visitors who desired to view the tree at closer range.

Our Christmas tree brings more than seasonal greetings. It suggests harmony and unity, those qualities which make Daly City attractive and desirable. It is a genuine testimonial to the activities of our city officials, who are always on the alert to sponsor every progressive enterprise.

The president of the Outdoor Christmas Tree Association, who visited Daly City this week to view the tree, declared it was the most beautiful he had ever seen. He took the opportunity to present to the Mayor and Councilmen a baby cypress from the original Sutro Forest in San Francisco. This tree, after a year's care, will be planted in some public spot, where in years to come it will no doubt serve the community in its turn.

DALY CITY MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS

Members of Crocker Lodge No. 454, F. & A. M., of Daly City, witnessed the installation of the newly elected officers on Saturday evening, December 19, at the Crocker Masonic Hall. James G. Allen, P. M., acted as installing Master, and Joseph Swan, P. M., was the master of ceremonies.

The following were installed as the officers for the ensuing Masonic year: John Mitchell, Master; A. L. Stockton, Senior Warden; George C. Chamberlain, Junior Warden; Alex C. Anderson, P. M., Treasurer; George Watson, P. M., Secretary; James G. Allen, P. M., Chaplain; William A. Jaques, Senior Deacon; R. K. Friedrichs, Junior Deacon; Joseph Swan, P. M., Marshal; Pete Barsi, Senior Steward; Jack Livingston, Junior Steward; and Charles H. Langley, Tyler.

After the impressive installation came to a close, a banquet was served to the members and visiting brothers. They were entertained by very select talent which was highly appreciated by all present. Rev. Newton E. Moats, D. D., was the speaker of the evening, and the newly installed Master gave the members a brief outline of his plans for the coming year. He wished all a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

SAN MATEO COUNTY VOTERS ARE TO BE RE-REGISTERED

Plans for the permanent registration of San Mateo county voters, beginning January 2, following receipt of the registration affidavits, are being made by the county clerk's office.

On Friday, January 2, the present registration list becomes void, except for elections to occur before April 1, after which every citizen must re-enter his name on the rolls to be eligible to vote.

Registration of San Mateo county's voters is expected to exceed 35,000 next year. Closing dates for registrations are: Election in cities of sixth class, March 2; Presidential primary, May 24; August primary, July 21; November general, September 29. A list of registration deputies will be announced later.

LEGION COMMANDER WILL GET CHRISTMAS PRESENT

California Legionnaires are going to show Van Hogan, state commander of the American Legion, that there really is a Santa Claus. A huge red stocking has been hung up in the headquarters of the California department of the organization in the City Hall in San Francisco. The stocking is to be filled with 1932 membership cards as a present to Hogan. Already it is filling rapidly and by Christmas it is expected that every one of the 442 Posts in the state will have contributed new membership cards as a present in Van's stocking. At a recent meeting in Los Angeles more than 1200 membership cards received from the Posts and transmitted to the San Francisco headquarters.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL NOTES OF INTEREST

During the week preceding the holidays, the spirit of Christmas descended upon the Jefferson school in festive form. In preparation for the last day of school, classrooms were brightened by beautifully decorated Christmas trees, and in general the rooms took on a holiday appearance.

On Friday, December 18, impromptu programs made up of accordion solos, recitations, class songs, Italian songs and dialects, dances and one act plays provided excellent entertainment, at the conclusion of which "parties" were held in the different classrooms. The refreshments were prepared and served by the teachers. Candy was distributed, and at 2 o'clock, when "Merry Christmas" were exchanged, a happy crowd of boys and girls filed out of the Colma school.

On December 15, several primary grades performed for the mothers and visitors of the Woodrow Wilson-Vista Grande Parent-Teachers' Association. Among the contributors were the Third grade youngsters, who had several offerings. Miss King, of the Vista Grande grade school, spent a great deal of spare time and worked after school hours preparing her grades. Those who participated were Robert Rizzard, Norma Barker, and Evelyn Azzaro, who recited individually, and songs by Marjorie Williams, Donna McCune, Virginia Rivas, Melba Frei, Violet Blanchard and Dolores Perry; a dance by Nadine O'Brien; "A Christmas Eve Thought," and other poems, by June Norris and Barbara Freeman. The Third grades finished with a very pretty "Merry Christmas" poem with large letters displayed by Marjorie Lee Van Bibber, Ann Nyeivich, Lenore Johnson, Dorothy Smith, Dorothy Hammar, Lydia Vandenberg, Charlotte Pangburn, Ethel Hill, Eleanor Talbot, Louise Johnson, Lucille Johnson, Edna Page, Gloria Josbin and Lorraine Vernazza.

BASILIO DOMENCI PASSES ON AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Flora Fippiano, of Evergreen avenue, is being extended the condolences of her many friends upon the death of her father, Basilio Demenci, who passed away after a long illness last Saturday. The beloved parent also leaves another daughter, Mrs. Mabel Caproni, of Rhode Island, and a beloved wife, Emma Domenci, to mourn his passing. He was the beloved grandfather of Mrs. Clara Tacchi, of South San Francisco, Basil Foppiano, Rose and Frances Caproni, and was the great-grandfather of little Marilyn Mae Tacchi.

Mr. Domenci was a member of Speranza Lodge No. 219 F. & A. M., and Garibaldi Guards. The funeral was conducted last Tuesday morning at 9:30 from the chapel of Valenti, Marin & Perata, 649 Green street, thence to Masonic Temple, where services were conducted under the auspices of Speranza Italian Lodge No. 219, F. & A. M., commencing at 10 o'clock. Interment was in Italian cemetery.

ODDS AND ENDS OF THE WEEK'S NEWS

Superior Judge George H. Buck last Saturday held Henry C. Finkler sane at the time he executed his will in April, 1930. The judge set aside the verdict of the jury returned Thursday afternoon and which decided that the late Supreme Court secretary was of unsound mind when he drew the document, and was under the influence of Michael J. Purcell.

Playing Santa Claus brought disaster to Harry H. Boyle, of North Burlingame, when his auto, loaded with toys, crashed into a telephone pole in San Bruno. Boyle suffered a broken nose and other injuries.

Another alcohol runner was captured Monday when Redwood City police arrested Guidicatti Gaggi, 29, of San Francisco, with four five-gallon cans of alcohol in his possession.

The office of city controller of San Francisco, a \$10,000 post created by the new charted adopted several months ago, was filled Monday by the appointment of Leonard S. Levy by Mayor Rossi.

The railroad commission has received an application from the Southern Pacific Company asking authority to abandon its non-agency station of Fremont, San Mateo county. It is proposed to include this station in the Menlo Park switching limits.

Jimmy Caveney, veteran infielder, has been named manager of the San Francisco Seals, succeeding Nick Williams, who was deposed after winning the pennant for the San Francisco baseball club owners.

Two women and three men narrowly escaped death last Sunday at Belmont when their auto plunged through a fence and struck the rear coach of a speeding Southern Pacific train. The driver of the car claimed the machine skidded when he turned out to pass another machine.

Drilling operations at the Oakdale gas well were suspended last Monday as the result of striking a heavy flow of gas at the 4,600 foot level. It is planned to test the commercial possibilities of the well for gas before drilling any deeper.

Santa Rosa's most famous tree, the giant cedar of Lebanon, beneath which the body of Luther Burbank is buried in his gardens there, will blaze with brilliant lights nightly until New Year's eve. The tree lighting ceremony was conducted by officers and members of the Kiwanis club.

With the season's rainfall more than twice that of a year ago, Porterville citizens are apprehensive lest Tule river, bordering the city on the south, menaces the city in case of flood waters from the mountain district.

San Mateo continued last month to record approximately twice the building permits of her nearest rival in the county, Redwood City, duplicating the figures for November a year ago, and also those of October this year, according to data released in the national monthly building survey of S. W. Strauss & Company.

Miss Orpha Corigan and John P. Morris, of San Francisco, were thrown through the top of an automobile last Sunday morning when it skidded and overturned on the Skyline boulevard, but escaped with cuts and bruises.

Members of the new San Mateo county grand jury were in session on Tuesday at Redwood City to continue their investigation of county affairs. The combined reports of the grand jury and the audit of the county's books will probably be made the first week of February.

California's 3-cent gasoline tax yielded \$3,253,708.08 during November, a decrease of more than \$100,000 from the October assessment, the state board of equalization reports.

In order to avoid such gas explosion as occurred recently in Berkeley, which took several lives, the San Jose city council is considering the establishment of shut-off valves in front of every house using gas.

Sheriff James J. McGrath and a posse last Monday night raided three places in Millbrae and seized a quantity of liquor. Two men and a woman were arrested and lodged in jail at Redwood City, but were later released under \$500 bail.

Undertakers of Marysville and Yuba City have asked police to aid in an effort to trace a person who has been perpetrating hoaxes on them for the last two months, sending in calls for

SUPERVISORS ASK DRY LAW CHANGE

The San Mateo county board of supervisors last Monday voted to memorialize Congress in favor of modification of the eighteenth amendment, to permit light wines and beer, as a stimulus to business.

This action of the board was taken at the request of the Beresford Park Development Association, which, at its meeting last Friday night, adopted a resolution favoring light wines and beer. The supervisors will send copies of the San Mateo club's resolution to California Senators and Congressmen at Washington. Supervisor Rosalie M. Brown, of San Mateo, made the motion to carry out the association's request.

Modification of the dry law, according to the club's resolution will, "(1) stimulate employment; (2) increase government revenues; (3) lower taxes; (4) curtail crime and racketeering, and (4) operate for the prosperity of the farmers and fruitgrowers affected by world-wide depression."

The board took action on a resolution from the Redwood Harbor Citizens' committee, calling upon it to select a county-wide group to study Redwood City's deep-water harbor project. Chairman Manuel Francis will appoint additional members of the committee, one from each supervisor district and one from each city. It was decided at Friday's meeting of the committee that, with likelihood of the entire Peninsula being included in a future "port district" in order to finance the project, the county-wide research was necessary. The enlarged body will have charge of the study and recommend all future action on the port plans.

Endorsement of the plan for the elimination of the Daly City-Colma "bottleneck" was received from the county planning commission. The commission urged the board to continue its campaign to widen Mission street at Daly City and El Camino Real from Daly City to Colma to relieve traffic congestion. The commission has authorized its plan advisor and the county surveyor to examine plans for the project.

It was voted to join Redwood City in the proposed widening of Woodside road from Redwood City to Woodside by construction of "shoulders" on both sides of the road. The board will contribute up to \$3,000 from the special road improvement fund for the work.

The Coastside community of Bright took seeks to become part of the Salada Beach public utility district, according to a petition of thirty-three names filed last Monday. Brighton residents desire to hook up with the Salada Beach water system.

The successor to the late A. W. Tate, Jr., county agricultural commissioner, must be bonded for \$1,000, although this official does not handle any county funds, according to an opinion rendered by District Attorney Edmund Scott. No action was taken at Monday's meeting. W. C. Belcher is acting commissioner until the board's appointment.

The \$240 a month appropriation for traveling expenses of six inspectors engaged in county rodent control was ordered continued.

Street lights were ordered installed in Belle Monti, at the request of more than thirty residents.

INJURED MAN TIRES OF HOSPITAL AND GOES HOME

Charles Haas, a laundry wagon driver of San Francisco, who was taken to Community hospital after his truck overturned on the Skyline boulevard last Saturday, and later fled the institution in his night shirt, called the hospital Sunday to say that he was home and intended to stay there. The injured man was taken to the hospital after the accident and put to bed on the second floor. Some time later he was missed, and Belmont and San Mateo police were asked to look for him. He scared a number of the residents, some of whom believed he was a ghost, when he passed through that town in his nightie.

ambulances and hearses when there was no need for them.

Jules Guishad, a rancher, of Yam Station, near Merced, died Monday from knife wounds, said to have been inflicted by James Cox and Riley Combs, during a fight that climaxed a party at Guishad's ranch.

A neighbors' visit to a well for a pail of water, disclosed a tragedy at Angels Camp that police believe may involve murder. The body of C. Mendoza, a rancher, was found floating at the bottom of the shaft. He had disappeared nearly two weeks ago.

Mort W. Seller, of Vallejo, has started an agitation which he hopes will result in a law making it a felony to put a chain letter in circulation.

"And has your baby learned to talk yet?"
"Oh, my, yes. We're teaching him to keep quiet now"—Cornwall Advertiser.

When Elford White, of Buffalo, N. Y., decided to be a bootlegger, coast guardsmen found a quart of whiskey in each of his rubber boots.

John Semm, of Chicago, was fined \$1,500 for making moonshine whiskey instead of bread in his bakery.

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Christmas Mush Brought Mary Elders a Fortune

LITTLE MARY ELDERS fairly dreaded the holiday season. She still lived in an aristocratic neighborhood but her purse was nearly flat. It was quite a struggle to keep up the old house and pretend that she had the money as of old.

She could not afford to give presents to all the neighbors and yet she was too proud to accept their offerings and not give in return. She dragged out her chest of keepsakes and sorted them over, all the while wondering which she might take downtown and pawn until after Christmas. Then, perhaps, she would get another music pupil or two and redeem it.

At last she put the old chest away for there wasn't a thing in it she felt she could part with. Hoping against hope that something would turn up to give, she hurried down to the big, shadowy kitchen. Here she turned out several pans of mush to cool on the polished boards.

Suddenly Mary Elders had a bright thought. She knew positively that Bob Trevors hadn't tasted fried mush since he had been a small boy and long before he had met and married Alice Hopkins. Just then Mary remembered, too, that she had heard that Alice and Bob, junior, had gone to Virginia for the holidays.

As a consequence, a half-hour later when Bob Trevors drove into the drive next door, Mary Elders flitted across the yard with a heaping plate of golden fried mush which she carried proudly on an ancient tray, a family heirloom.

"Merry Christmas and a mushy New Year," she called back to Bob as she hurried home. She remembered she had some other neighbors who had, perhaps, never tasted fried mush in years and who might relish a plate of it. Thus her Christmas obligations were filled and her friends had received something "different" from usual, indeed!

There the story should end but it didn't, for the next Christmas Mary Elders was at the head of her own mush factory. She didn't do the actual work but her employees did as she directed. That delicious, melty mush had made a hit with her friends, and in that short year had made Mary Elders a fortune.—L. B. Lyons.

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Christmas Snow Came Just as He Predicted

"NO SIGN of snow," said Jane, turning from the window. "Lucy will be terribly disappointed. She has never seen snow, and I verily believe she is coming up from Miami just to see a white Christmas."

"Three days to go on," replied John, her brother, looking at his watch. "If we are to meet that train there's no time to lose."

They barely made it. True to Jane's surmise, Lucy's first words were: "Where's your snow? I hoped to wade through it from the train."

"You may have to wade in it yet," said Jane through an enthusiastic greeting. "This is John, Miss Ware, of whom I have talked so much, and he tells me that he has ordered a heavy snowfall for Christmas day."

"Good!" extending a hand and smiling her sweetest. "I surely appreciate that."

John couldn't make the snow come, but he did about everything else to show Lucy a good time. Her southern beauty and naive manner appealed to him strongly, and he was delighted that Jane had a devoted beau who kept her strictly unto himself.

The hours sped by on wings. Holiday preparations were scarcely over before Christmas eve was dying. The two couples had a great time trimming the tree and putting up all the other decorations and joking about John's predicted white Christmas.

"Just you wait and see," he replied to Lucy's last speech on the subject. They had reached the stair landing and he caught her hand, holding it firmly. "Look here, girlie. If I lose I'll pay you all right; but if I win, you will pay—under the mistletoe."

"There is no mistletoe," said Lucy, coloring.

"Oh, yes, there is; right where I hung it. Goodnight, and expect my Christmas special."

Next morning the girls were awakened by loud banging on their door.

"Jane! Jane!" called John excitedly. "Tell Lucy to look out the window."

"What?" asked Jane sleepily. But Lucy had heard and straightway looked.

"I say wake up Lucy. Tell her my Christmas special has been delivered."—Lilly Rutherford Morris.

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First Christmas Card
It is over fifty years since the first Christmas card was printed in Great Britain. The first one sold was a picture of six little girls on a golden background.

Mince Pie Made Box-Shaped
In early days the mince pie was made box-shaped to typify the manger in which the Child had lain.

Lighting the Christmas Candles
The lovelight of the human heart should light the candles on the Christmas tree.

Dorothy's Christmas; the Resolution It Brought

DOROTHY PORTER, beautiful, dignified, cultured and wealthy, was known in her community as Proud Dorothy. She was popular enough in her exclusive set, but to those of a lower social status she was considered a cold, unfeeling, moving statue.

On Christmas eve Dorothy pushed her way through the seething crowd into one of the ten-cent stores for the forgotten tissue paper and tinsel cord to be used in wrapping her gifts. As she was caught for a moment in a jam by the stocking counter, a piping childish voice rose above the din:

"Please, mamma, buy me a new pair of stockin's. I ain't got a decent one to hang up tonight."

Dorothy listened as her heart suffered a queer little quirk.

"I'll mend up one," said the shabby woman at her side. "Santy won't care about the darns."

The mother wiped away a tear as she turned from the poorly clad little girl and caught Dorothy's fixed gaze. Under her breath she whispered:

"You see, mam, I'm more concerned about gettin' somethin' to put in the stockin'."

Before Dorothy realized what she was doing her hand was finding its way to her purse. "Here, madam," she said, slipping a bill into the woman's hand, "take this, please, and get the stockings and the filling, too. Get busy while I amuse the child at the toy counter. What is her name?"

"Oh, oh, oh, it's Mabel, mam."

"Come with me, Mabel, to buy a nice toy while your mother waits for her package, won't you?"

"Sure I will, miss," and Mabel slipped her hand into Dorothy's as she looked up at her mother and smiled.

They tarried a long time by the toy counter and Mabel finally decided on a doll. Dorothy wrote down the child's name and address so she could make and send her some pretty clothes for the doll.

After a while the mother came for Mabel. She had only a few small packages in her hands, but a whisper to Dorothy told that much had been bought and sent home by a friend.

Dorothy said goodby and left with only paper and tinsel in her hand, but in her heart there was the richest experience she had ever known.

Mabel got her trunk of doll's clothes before the holidays were over, and the proud Dorothy resolved never to let another Christmas pass without taking cheer into some neglected home. This was the happiest Christmas she had ever known.—Lilly Rutherford Morris.

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Christmas Stockings

MANY, many years ago there lived in Germany a very wealthy man named St. Nicholas. This German fellow liked nothing better than to help poor people, but disliked very much being thanked for his gifts. One Christmas eve he wished to give a purse of gold to an old man and his little daughter, and in order to escape being seen, he climbed to their roof and dropped his precious gift down the chimney. Instead of landing on the hearth, however, the purse fell right into a stocking, which was hung up to dry, and the next morning the purse was discovered in the stocking. When other people heard of the strange happening they also hung up their stockings and soon all over Germany and in this country it became the custom on Christmas Eve to hang up one's stocking for St. Nicholas to fill.—Detroit Free Press.

THE CHRISTMAS SCHEMER



He—Yes, y'see it's like this—I bring this bi empty box in and pretend to hide it under the bed. The wife is curious, of course, but won't let on. Then I asks to go to the club, an' it's a cinch, see?

Christmas Good Wishes
At Christmas time one is proffered more good wishes than at any other time of the year, and it is certainly the time when one needs them most.—The Tattler.

Children and Christmas
It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas when its Mighty Founder was a Child Himself.—Dickens.

VALLEY FORGE

One hundred and fifty-four years ago, on December 19, 1777, George Washington led his ragged Revolutionary army into winter quarters at Valley Forge, to set an everlasting example of devotion to country.

Over and over the story has been told—of those months of cold and starvation, of sickness and suffering, which Washington's soldiers cheerfully endured, in loyalty to him. As soon as American school children are able to learn anything, the learn of Valley Forge, and never afterward forget it. As long as America itself endures, Valley Forge, with its classic example of patriotism, will fire new generations of America to unselfish loyalty to their nation.

This year, as the country prepares to celebrate in 1932 the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington, the story of Valley Forge will seem to us more real and poignant than ever, as we recall every incident in the Revolution in which Washington himself had a part, for the light each throws on his life and his character.

Nothing in the course of our struggle for independence, we are told by the United States George Washington Bicentennial Commission, so tried the courage and the patience of George Washington as Valley Forge, for in addition to the sufferings of his soldiers he had nearly everything else to weigh down his spirits. These alone would have been enough to try him to the utmost. Three thousand of his army perished in that single winter, from hunger and exposure, from under-nourishment and disease.

The living must often have envied their dead brothers in arms. Some of them were nearly naked. All were without food at times, and at times when food was available, it often consisted of rotting fish and meat. The wonder is that Washington's death roll was limited to these unknown 3,000. At one of the darkest moments at Valley Forge, Washington said, in one of his repeated appeals to Congress for aid, that his men were at last left with but three choices: they could "starve, dissolve, or disperse in order to obtain subsistence in the best manner they can."

But the real tragedy of Valley Forge, a tragedy even deeper than the sufferings of the patriot soldiers, was that their distress would have been needless but for the bungling of Congress. It was that period during the Revolution when military affairs were worst mismanaged, and when Washington's influence was at its lowest ebb. Burgoyne had surrendered, but the fact that Washington, commander-in-chief, backed up the campaign by sticking on Clinton's flank had been lost to sight. General Gates claimed full credit for the success, and made full use of his popularity with Congress in an attempt to oust Washington and win the chief command for himself. Congress was the more ready to fall in with his claims because Washington lost the battles of Brandywine and Germantown, and his military fortunes were at their lowest ebb.

In his scheme to wrest the chief command from Washington, General Gates had the aid of a group of malcontents who formed what became known as the "Conway Cabal." It brought a personal hurt to Washington, and a worry on behalf of the Revolutionary cause itself. He feared the encouraging effect these dissensions in his own ranks would have on the enemy. Such was his freedom from arrogance that at one time during the winter of Valley Forge, he was ready to resign and leave the direction of the war to Congress, or to any man that Congress might prefer to himself.

In the end, the intrigue against him defeated itself, but already the mischief had been done. Congress took over much of the military control—and the ragged and starving army at Valley Forge got the full benefit of its bungs.

Before Valley Forge, the commissary of the Revolutionary army had been ably directed by Colonel Trumbull. Congress ousted him and put in his place the inexperienced General Mifflin, a gang-leader among Washington's enemies. Conway himself was made inspector general. Between them they nearly wrecked the army organization that Washington had patiently built up, the supplies that his men were entitled to never reached them, and Washington had to stand by while they suffered, and see his army go to pieces.

Yet if Valley Forge tells this story of needless shame and suffering, it is also the story of a triumph. No other stage of the Revolution offers so strange and violent a contrast. Only Washington's own remarkable personal influence kept his army together through these killing trials, but with the breaking of the cabal against him, Congress swung back to his support and his influence became stronger than ever. Using that influence to the full, he employed the time in new endeavors to reorganize his force. He induced Congress to appoint and send to Valley Forge a "committee of arrangements," to look on while he worked out his reforms, and he so impressed them that he got from them many new needed "arrangements."

At this time, too, he was fortunate in being joined by Baron Von Steuben, a skilled officer, trained under Frederick the Great, and a man of genius and remarkable personality. Part

FROM ALL CORNERS

Sixty years after they were youthful sweethearts, James Lowrie and Mrs. Janet Ferguson, of St. Louis, were married.

Charles Brennan, of Chicago, telephoned the police that during the night a thief had stolen his pants and he had lost his job because he couldn't go to work.

Losing a \$2,500 breach of promise suit to Miss Jane Roberts, David Lueton, of New Orleans, offered to marry her, and the ceremony followed.

Walking along a country road near Rock Island, Ill., M. H. Sutter was brushed by a passing automobile and his left ear was severed.

When thieves broke into a gasoline station near St. Clements, Mich., and found little loot, they dumped two drums of oil, smashed a radio, tore down the stove-pipe and did other damage.

After maintaining two wives within five blocks on the same street for a year, Jacques Bartisan, of Chicago, was arrested for bigamy.

Nineteen persons in a sedan are too many to permit proper operation of the machine, a judge in Quincy, Mass., decided when he fined Sam Venturi \$10.

A 30-pound carp flopped from a fish stand in a market in Baltimore and bit Mrs. Tillie Levy on the ankle.

At Mildmay, England, Richard Tugwood fired out of a window at what he thought was a cat, hit a policeman's helmet, and was later fined \$10 in court.

Gerald Ross, who wrote to a London paper saying he was lonely in South Africa, has received 400 letters from women offering to marry him.

Mrs. Etta Jones, of Los Angeles, testified in her divorce suit that her husband would drive his automobile as close as possible to another car without hitting it and then slap her when she screamed in protest.

Jim Jones and Eunice Lee, of Norcross, Va., walked 30 miles over the mountains to Whitesburg to get married, because the girl's father objected.

William Eba, a World war veteran living in Los Angeles, has been reported dead by the government so often he has retained a lawyer to prove he is alive.

Robbers took four jars of canned peaches from the home of S. D. Gatewood, of Kingwood, W. Va., but they left three \$1 bills.

"When a young woman comes home after a hard day at the office and finds that her husband hasn't dusted off the radio or washed the dishes, it is mighty discouraging," said Mrs. Elizabeth Didier, of Chicago, who asked for a divorce.

Dick Ledbetter, a storekeeper in Wasco, Texas, paid his county taxes this year with 4,658 copper cents.

Though guarded by a policeman, the house of Mayor H. A. Dowsett, of Southend, England, was robbed of \$8,000 worth of jewelry.

Rev. J. C. Chambers, of Durham, England, drove all the dancers out of his church hall because they were doing the Charleston.

Discharged for carelessness in her work as a maid, Emma Scheiber, of Glencoe, Ill., ruined 500 books in J. C. Thurburn's library.

Asked how he felt about receiving \$50,000 from his employer's estate, Allan Evans, a Scotch chauffeur, replied: "Well, it's worth a smile, anyway."

H. L. Ryan, of St. Louis, went from a cell to his wedding, stopping only in court to pay a \$100 fine for intoxication resulting from a bachelor dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Bowman, of Cutler, Cal., have thirteen children, whose names are: Daisy, Delbert, Dale, Doris, Dorothy, Donald, Della, Dolly, Dee, Dorine, Detn, Davis and Danny.

of the genius in Von Steuben was to see at a glance the possibilities in soldiers willing to endure such hardships for the sake of an ideal, and upon them he set to work with a will. The Revolutionary officers themselves became fired with his zeal. The result was that Valley Forge became a most efficient training camp. Washington's army marched into Valley Forge a horde of nondescripts; it emerged an army of heroes, disciplined and drilled so that they could hold their own against any troops of the time on the field of battle.

So Valley Forge remains one of the paradoxes of Revolutionary history, a story of unparalleled suffering, but touched with this happy ending, which must have gladdened Washington and compensated every man under his command for the ordeal so nobly endured.

Harrison Gallerson, of Fresno, Cal., had to pay his taxes twice, as an investigation disclosed that the first "collector" was not a tax collector.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS REVIEW

A block of wooden buildings, constituting a considerable portion of the business section of Bieber, was destroyed by fire recently. Property owners' estimates of losses amounted to approximately \$60,000. The fire started in a motor shed in the rear of the A. G. Loomis grocery building.

Rice exports from the San Francisco customs district totaled 391,000 pounds during October, four times as great as the combined total of all other Pacific Coast ports, according to the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. The bulk of the local rice exports were to Canada and the United Kingdom.

The litigation over rights in the waters of San Diego River which has been carried on for over a decade among La Mesa, Lemon Grove, Spring Valley and the City of San Diego is about to be ended by arbitration. A dam at a site commonly termed "El Capitan" will be started soon.

A check for \$25,000, representing Napa County's share in the cost of a new \$77,000 highway bridge under construction at Napa, was delivered to City Clerk Henry H. Thompson recently. One-third of the remaining amount will be paid by the state. The bridge crosses Napa River and will be open within two months.

Construction projects under way or planned will aggregate a total expenditure of \$205,000,000 in the San Francisco metropolitan area during 1932. Federal building amounting to nearly \$39,000,000 heads the list. The figures do not include the estimated \$75,000,000 for the Oakland bridge nor \$30,000,000 for the Golden Gate bridge.

The title of World's Champion Cowboy will be officially bestowed on Johnnie Schneider of Livermore in February, when the Rodeo Association of America meets at Tucson, Arizona. Schneider won the title from Earle Thode of Belvidere, South Dakota, in the contests recently held in Los Angeles.

For the first time in the history of Imperial county a woman, Mrs. N. Alta Wilke of Brawley, has been named foreman of the county grand jury to serve during 1932. "I suppose we should really call you forewoman," said Superior Judge Thompson in instructing Mrs. Wilke in her duties and those of the six other women and seven men on the jury.

Efficient co-operative marketing will help the agriculturist get back to larger returns, the Placerville Fruit Growers' Association was told by H. E. Erdman, professor of agricultural economics at the University of California. Ways and means of making net returns to growers larger is more important, he said, than increasing the farmer's share of the consumer's dollar.

Complete reports show that there was shipped from the Redlands citrus district, which includes Redlands, Bryn Mawr, Crafton and Montone, 6,661 carloads of citrus fruits during the 1930-31 season which closed on November 1. This means a total of 3,077,382 boxes. Exact returns are not available, but the fruit brought growers about \$5,500,000. The twenty packing houses also took about \$2,500,000 for picking, packing and shipping.

Recommendation by Horace M. Albright, director of national park service, in his annual report just released in Washington, that boundaries of General Grant National Park be extended to include the Kings River Canyon, is most interesting to people of the valley. The territory to be included in the park lies in Fresno county and is declared one of the most scenic areas of the Sierras. A highway forty miles up the canyon is now being built by the State, one-fourth of the project being completed. It will be one of the finest mountain roads in California, opening to the motoring public a section hitherto tapped only by pack trains and difficult travel.

The agricultural labor bureau of the San Joaquin Valley, in a recent session, according to L. W. Frick, has established the wage for winter farm labor for the valley. The bureau has set the wage for general work at 20 cents per hour, while experienced vine pruners' and fruit-tree pruners' wages have been set at 20 to 25 cents per hour, depending upon the ability of the pruner. Frick encourages all ranchers to adopt the wage scale as recommended by the agricultural bureau in order to stabilize the labor situation in the valley. There appears to be a sufficient amount of labor, according to reports coming from the bureau, for all work to be done.

Representative Swing (R.) of California, acting for the California Avocado Association, recently joined the Florida Avocado Growers' Exchange in protesting a decision of the commissioner of customs exempting Cuban avocados from a 15 cents a pound duty.

An attempt to secure the establishment at Stanford University of a naval training unit of the naval reserve was reported recently by the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce, which has appealed to Congressman A. M. Free for assistance.

A Woodland cobbler recently bought an old pair of shoes from an itinerant for 50 cents. When he tore one of the shoes apart he found a \$10 bill stuffed in the toe.

Stabilization of the peach industry was discussed at a meeting in Yuba City of growers and State officials. Dudley Moulton, State Director of Agriculture, and Dr. Theodore Macklin, chief of the State division of markets, were among the speakers. The meeting was the first of several regional gatherings of growers of agricultural commodities, called by the Department of Agriculture.

Bakersfield sent a delegation of more than half a hundred Legionnaires and the drum and bugle corps of Frank S. Reynolds Post to Shafter to participate in the mortgage-burning celebration of Leslie L. Robinson Post. The Shafter post has erased the debt on its clubhouse and burning of the mortgage was a joyous event. A parade through the streets of the Northern Kern city, ceremonies in Legion Hall, and a dance were on the evening's program.

Japanese silk exports to the United States, the bulk of which are received at the port of San Francisco, will soon be balanced by American cotton shipments to Japan, mostly through this port, it was indicated by a recent sailing of the liner Tatsuta Maru for the Orient. The ship's cargo included 4,978 bales of California cotton, the largest cotton shipment from this port to the Island Kingdom. Singularly, when the Tatsuta Maru arrived from the Orient it brought 6850 bales of raw silk, the largest shipment of that commodity received here this year. American manufacturers are the heaviest purchasers of Japan silk and Japan has become the most important customer of American cotton growers.

California's Constitution contains nearly ten times as many words as the Constitution of the United States and it is time something was done to batter it down into the semblance of a legal text the ordinary persons can read and obey. Such is the opinion of Ernest Klette, Fresno attorney, as expressed in an article in a recent issue of the State Bar Journal. From 22,000 words when adopted in 1879, the constitutional "child" of the Golden State has grown into an "adult" of 62,000 words, Klette points out. The Constitution of the United States started at 4500 and still manages to do pretty well for 130,000,000 persons in 6500 words, Klette says. Klette maintains this is one form of expansion California can well get along without.

An annual water toll of \$5 per \$100 valuation for lands in Palo Verde Irrigation District has just been set for 1932 and is the lowest water charge in the history of this valley. This also is one of the lowest charges for water in California, according to Assistant Secretary O. W. Malmgren. The rate last year was set at \$7. The operations budget last year for the 30,000 acres in cultivation was \$185,000. It was cut this year to \$110,500. The highest assessed valuation of land in the district is \$100 an acre. The charge for water in 1932 will average less than \$4 an acre for cultivated land, due to the plentiful supply of water from the Colorado River for twelve months a year. Water orders last season were always filled within twenty-four hours. Irrigation is by gravity.

A. L. Day, prospector and miner, returning from a trip into the mountains in the vicinity of the south fork of the Kaweah River, declares he has found the "largest tree in the world." Day says he found a sequoia gigantea which measured thirty-eight feet in diameter at its base and twenty-eight feet in diameter eight feet above the ground. He has named it "Gen. Pershing." Day declares he was snowed in while staking out some claims, the snow being seven feet on the ground in some places where he and his companion were forced to travel over the trail and through the mountain passes. He has asked W. E. Metzger, manager of the San Joaquin Valley Tourist and Travel Association, to organize an expedition as soon as snows have melted sufficiently in the spring to verify his measurements.

California's public works expenditures are putting wages into the pockets of approximately 42,000 men, directly and indirectly, it was estimated by James I. Herz, deputy state director of public works. In addition to needy men, given part time highway maintenance jobs, and material men, transportation company workers and technical labor, thousands of men are engaged in projects of the State highway and architectural divisions. Herz pointed out. He said the highway division alone now carries 14,000 employees, with 12,000 others on the payrolls of highway contractors and 7,000 or more on local payrolls, through highway funds reaching the county governments. "It is accepted as a fact," Herz said, "that of the millions of dollars being spent by California, fully 85 per cent ultimately reaches a labor payroll."

California cattlemen, meeting in joint convention session with the Western Cattle Marketing Association, voted recently for an extensive campaign to reduce agricultural taxation as an essential to the future prosperity of the industry. E. F. Forbes of Marysville was re-elected president of both organizations, and directors of the Western Association include W. A. Freeman and Hubbard Russell of Los Angeles; Fred Chamberlain, Los Olivos; J. H. Lubken, Lone Pine; P. A. Klipsstein, Bakersfield, and W. O. Blasingame, Fresno.

ANYWAY he has some queer ways. That is what Peter Rabbit thinks, and Peter ought to know. But as to that it is quite probable that Buster thinks some of Peter's ways queer. It is the way of the world to think other folks queer, and Buster thinks some of Peter's ways queer, and I am quite sure that both think your ways and mine very queer indeed.

To Peter's way of thinking one of Buster Bear's queerest habits is that of sleeping away most of the winter. Since his talk with Prickly Porky the Porcupine, Peter had begun to understand why Johnny Chuck and some of the others went to sleep as soon as cold weather came, to stay asleep until Mistress Spring should arrive. They had to sleep or starve, for there was none of the food they need, and wouldn't be so long as winter lasted. But somehow Peter couldn't seem to make the reason fit the case to Buster Bear. Buster didn't seem to wait to go to sleep for the winter. He had prowled around until after the snow had come to stay, and then, and not

Peggy Saved Four



This is Peggy, of Los Angeles, who saved four persons from probable death by carbon monoxide poisoning. Although violently sick from the deadly fumes, the faithful dog, sensing something was wrong, barked a warning to arouse the household after she had failed to awaken a boy made unconscious by the gas.



"The difference between a regular widow and a golf widow is simple," says knowing Nora. "The husband of the one lies under the sod and that of the other lies over it." (WNU Service.)

TASTY TORTES

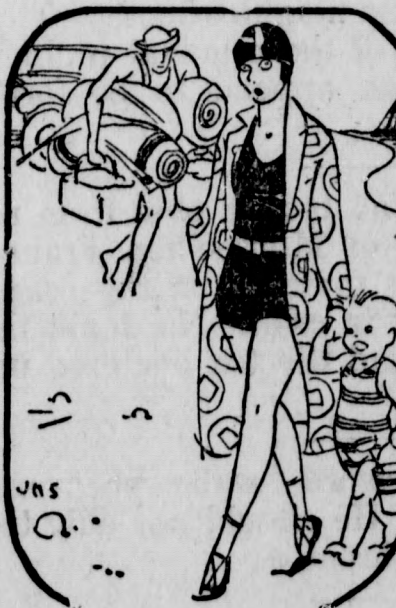
FOR the cake par excellence, the torte is one of the delectable. Our German cooks excel in this kind of a cake combination. Tortes are rich with nuts, chopped or rolled fine, plenty of eggs and crumbs, with spices. The baking is another important point, as slow, careful baking is necessary for a light and tender torte.

Date Torte.

Rub sixteen dates to a smooth paste with two tablespoonfuls of lemon juice. Beat two whole eggs, add seven yolks, add one and three-fourths cupfuls of sugar, beat well, add the dates, three tablespoonfuls of grated chocolate and one teaspoonful each of cinnamon, allspice, and a cupful of cracker crumbs. Stir well and fold in the stiffly beaten

KITTY McKAY

By Nina Wilcox Putnam



The girl-friend says she almost bought a carry-all for taking things to the beach, the other day, and only just remembered in time that her husband would be cheaper. (© Bell Syndicate.)—WNU Service.

OUR BEDTIME STORY

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

until then, he had stretched out on his bed of leaves under the shelving rock deep in the Green Forest, where he had slept away the last winter, and Peter knew that they would see no more of him until spring.

Now, why should he go to sleep for weeks at a time that way? Peter puzzled and puzzled over it as he turned it over in his mind. Johnny Chuck lives on tender green things, and in winter there are no tender green things. Old Mr. Toad lives on worms and bugs. At least there are none where Old Mr. Toad can get them. But with Buster Bear it was different. Why shouldn't he keep awake all winter just as Reddy Fox and Old Man Coyote do? It seemed to Peter very absurd that such a great big fellow as Buster Bear, of whom everybody else was afraid and who had such a great warm fur coat, should hide away and sleep just because it was winter. Finally he went back to Prickly Porky to try to satisfy his curiosity.

"Buster Bear is smart," said Peter. "He is one of the smartest of all the people in the Green Forest. Everybody says that. And if he is so smart why can't he catch enough to eat in the winter just as Reddy Fox and Old Man Coyote do? They don't waste their time sleeping, and they don't

starve to death. They may go hungry some of the time. Most of us do that in bad weather. But they catch enough to live on. Why doesn't Buster Bear?"

"Huh!" grunted Prickly Porky. "You don't know much about Buster Bear. What do you think he lives on, anyway?"

"Why, on any of us little people he can catch," replied Peter promptly. "Everybody knows that!"

"Then everybody knows something that everybody doesn't know at all. That is the trouble with a lot of people—they think they know when they don't know. Now take the queer case of Buster Bear. Every one seems to think that because he eats a mouse or a rabbit or some other of the little forest people silly enough not to keep out of his reach, that he lives on them altogether, just as Old Man Coyote does. That shows how little some folks know about their neighbors. If Old Man Coyote should catch you, Peter, which I hope he won't, you would make him a good meal. But you wouldn't be more than a mouthful for Buster Bear. Two or three fat mice would do Reddy Fox for a whole day, but they wouldn't more than tickle Buster Bear's stomach. Buster eats meat when it happens to fall in his way, but what he lives on mostly

are roots and berries and nuts and bugs and fish and frogs, and he has to have a lot of them. Where, pray tell, would he find them at this time of the year? He is just like Johnny Chuck and Bobby Coon and the other sleepers—he'd starve if he didn't sleep."

"Thank you, Prickly Porky," said Peter politely. "I've learned a lot. Yet even now I cannot help feeling that it is very queer that such a big, strong fellow like Buster Bear should sleep all winter. Anyway, I hope he has pleasant dreams."

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African Goat Coat



This young lady is wearing one of the new and popular coats of gray African goatskin. It has smart flap pockets and deep set sleeves.

THE SHEPHERD'S STAR

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

IT IS not strange that shepherds were the first to note the new-lit skies. Self-love is no philosopher. But tenders of the sheep are wise. It is the generous, the kind, Who are the first the Christ to find, And those who gain the gift of heaven Are always those who first have given.

Now in our arms we take the earth, Even as shepherds take the sheep, Give strangers cheer, and children mirth, And comfort to the ones who weep. It is not strange that those who love First feel the radiance from above, As shepherds, some poor lamb enfolding, Were first the Shepherd's star beholding.

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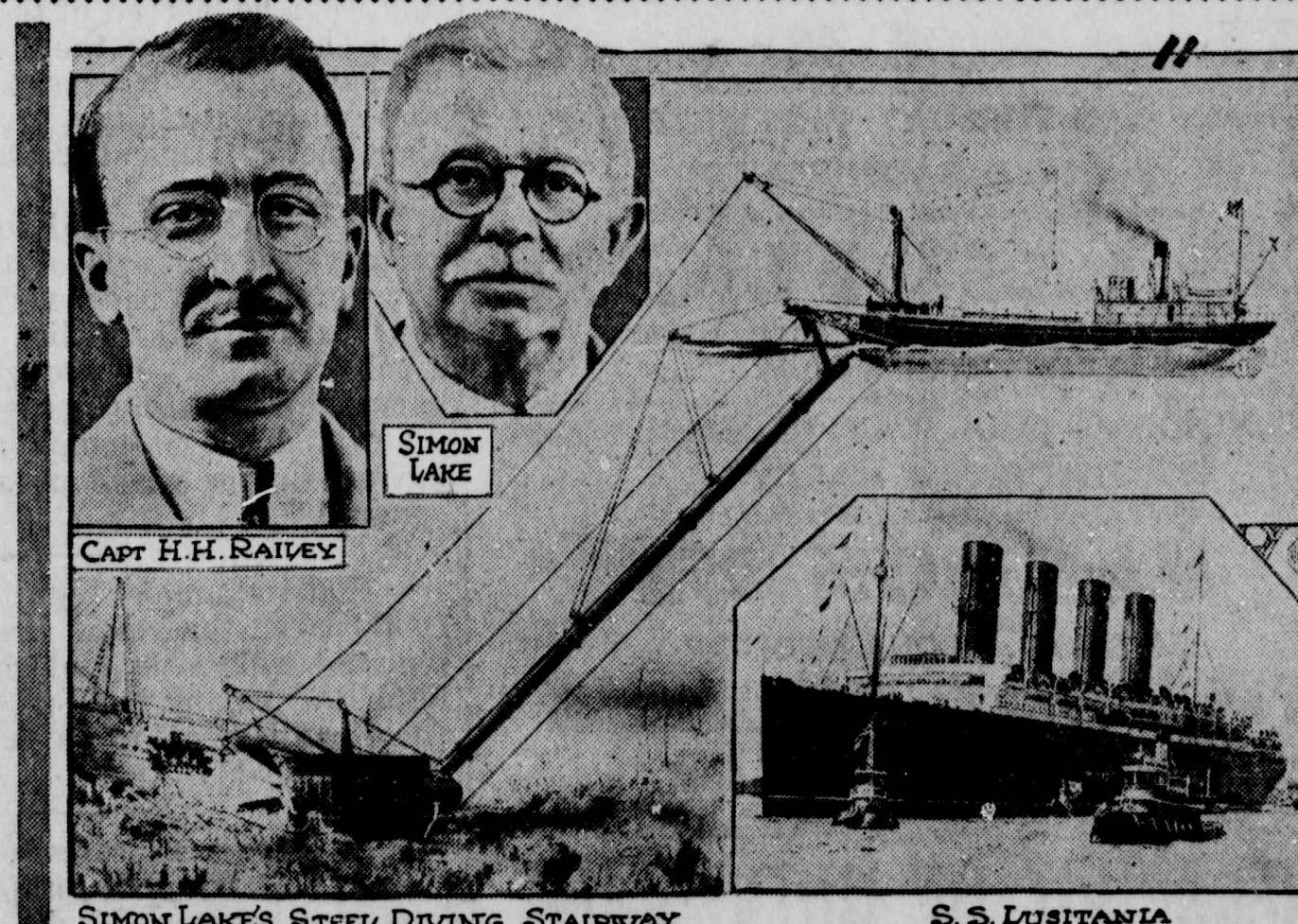
between the layers and ice the top of the torte.

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Clocked Hosiery Gains Favor for Winter Wear

Whether entirely plain stockings are trying you or not, you will want to consider the new clocked-ones. They are coming with longer skirts. Many women arriving from Paris are wearing very sheer, dark toned stockings with short clocks. Dark browns and even blacks are represented, but the sheerness is the outstanding feature.

How Railey and Lake Will Explore the Lusitania



SIMON LAKE'S STEEL DIVING STAIRWAY

S. S. LUSITANIA

THE British board of trade has given to the Lake-Railey expedition official permission to explore the wreck of the Lusitania, which was sunk by a German submarine off the southwest coast of Ireland on May 7, 1915, and the work it is believed will now go ahead with the devices invented by Simon Lake, the American developer of underwater craft. Captain Railey, leader of the expedition, says there will be no attempt to raise the Lusitania or to salvage much of the cargo, though some of the latter, it is hoped, will be brought to the surface by the Lake submarine salvaging tube. Undersea photography at depths never before achieved will be an important objective of the expedition. The illustration shows how this is to be carried on.

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CHRISTMAS LORE

Christmas being one of the most widely celebrated of all holidays, it is only natural that many odd customs and superstitions should have been identified with its observance in various lands and at different times.

The date December 25 approximates that of certain ancient festivals such as the Roman Saturnalia, the Scandinavian Yule, the winter festival of the heathen Britons, and later the Roman festival of the sun-god Mithra.

One of the oldest superstitions, once prevalent throughout Europe, was that animals were endowed with the power of speech on Christmas. Another was that persons born on that day were destined to enjoy good luck throughout life.

It was an old custom to wash and bleed horses the day after Christmas, in the belief that this would preserve them from harm during the ensuing year. According to a Polish superstition, what one did on Christmas would govern his actions for the following year.

There was an ancient belief that each kind or evergreen used for decorative purposes was capable of conferring special blessings upon those who passed under the verdant boughs. To pass under holly betokened good fortune, bay signified victory, while laurel imparted beauty and poetical skill.

The mythical Santa Claus has been known by many names, including those of Kriss Kringle, St. Nicholas, Knecht Ruprecht, Robin Goodfellow, and others. In Germany, one known as Krampus, an ugly hunch-backed dwarf, was supposed to carry off naughty children.

In Christian lands, Christmas is celebrated in commemoration of the birth of Christ, and among the masses is supposed to mark the actual anniversary of that event. But scholars and educated people generally understand that December 25 is merely a date arbitrarily set for this observance, and that the actual day, or even the year, of Christ's birth is not known with certainty.

At any rate, Christmas is a time of peace on earth, and good will toward all men—a time when all should wish their fellow men all the good things of this earth.

It's rather strange that some who complain about pensions for our own veterans are so willing to pay the war debts of Europe.

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WASHINGTON TREES

As a part of the bicentennial celebration of George Washington's birth, next year, millions of memorial trees have been or will be planted under the auspices of the American Tree Association. Women's clubs, schools, Boy and Girl Scouts, various other civic organizations, and even convicts, are taking an active part in this tree planting program.

Pennsylvania is one of the most active states in the movement, Pittsburgh alone having decided to plant some 111,500 trees, while 84,000 have been planted by the convicts of two state penitentiaries. In New Jersey, Boy Scouts and the Y. M. C. A. are especially active. In Iowa the hundreds of 4-H clubs will take the lead. Florida will have a three months planting period. In New York and Maryland, as well as in other states, the D. A. R. will plant thousands of trees.

These are only a few of the projects already under way, and it is expected that every state in the Union will join in making 1932 the greatest year for forestry that any country has ever known. In fact, the idea of honoring Washington's memory in this manner has spread to foreign countries, the first actual planting of memorial trees having been reported from Turkey.

No method of celebrating his two hundredth anniversary, perhaps, would be more pleasing to Washington himself, if he could witness it, than this planting of trees in his honor. Incidentally, it might be a good time to say again that the story of his cutting down his father's cherry tree is only legendary, with no sound basis of historical fact.

THE FIRST CONGRESS

The convening of the Seventy-second Congress, on December 7, brings forth some interesting facts from the Washington Bicentennial Commission about the meeting in Federal Hall, New York City, of the first United States Congress.

Congress was to open on March 4, 1789, but on that day only twenty-one members of Congress were present, eight Senators and thirteen Representatives, not a quorum for either House.

Day after day, week after week, the members present met in Federal Hall, which had been fitted up for their accommodation. But it was not until the first day of April that any business could be transacted, because a quorum was lacking. On that day, thirty members of the House having answered to their names, the body was organized and General Frederick Muhlenberg was chosen Speaker.

The Senate did not get down to business until April 6, when a quorum was finally mustered. A temporary presiding officer, whose sole duty it was to open and count the electoral votes, was elected. George Washington had the vote of every elector for President, as was generally known before hand. The second votes of electors were widely scattered. John Adams was elected Vice-President, although he did not get a majority of the whole number of electors appointed. It was two weeks before General Washington could be appraised of his election and reach the seat of government.

It is difficult to realize in this day, when Senators and Representatives arrive by airplane, train and motor, what an achievement a journey to the capital was in the days of the first United States Congress.

THE WAYS OF CROOKS

An interesting sidelight on the ways of professional criminals is given in a magazine article which declares that cities where these gentry habitually congregate to spend their loot are seldom the scene of their banditry.

The writer cites the case of Toledo, long known as being unusually free from underworld crime, yet all the time the rendezvous for safe-crackers, hold-up men and other desperate crooks. It was an unwritten law among them that no "jobs" were to be pulled off in Toledo, and although the police knew of their presence, they were not molested, because, as the chief said: "We never bother them, because they never bother us."

Finally a new public commissioner was appointed, and when he learned of the situation he ordered a clean-up. Then, to quote the article: "There were immediate retaliations. Safes began to explode like fire-crackers on the Fourth. Hold-ups became as common as measles. Cops shot crooks and crooks shot cops. Today Toledo is no longer immune."

One difficulty said to be experienced in catching present-day criminals of the professional class is that many of their old underworld haunts which were formerly well known to the police have been broken up. The crooks are scattered throughout the cities, often living in comparative security in high class neighborhoods. Thus a new and serious complication of the criminal problem has arisen, for which no solution appears to be forthcoming.

Protests against high taxation took a new form recently when the young lawyers of Montpellier, France, reported with picks and shovels to work on the roads, instead of paying their road tax in cash. No doubt the American lawyers would have had the tax declared unconstitutional.

In Detroit a professional sword swallower nearly choked to death on a tophick. He should use only the implements that are kind to his throat.

Russia has a specie of sheep that grows no wool. Must resemble the lambs formerly seen coming out of Wall Street.

STARTING A BUSINESS

Business failures are due to many causes, including lack of experience, bad management, insufficient capital, ineptitude for business, and others.

Perhaps the most common reason for failure, however, is the starting of a business in a field that can not reasonably be expected to support it, or in one that is already overcrowded.

In a pamphlet issued by the Department of Commerce this fact is pointed out and a thorough survey of the prospective field is recommended before embarking upon a new enterprise. It says:

"In planning to enter a new field, the retailer may find, by careful analysis, that his prospective market does not reflect such favorable circumstances as a cursory examination appeared to reveal. He may be saved from embarking upon the enterprise, thus preventing subsequent failure and much loss to society of wasted effort and capital."

The time when anybody could start any kind of a business almost anywhere and make it a success is past, if, in fact, such at time ever was. Modern business is highly competitive, and requires better training than ever before. While optimism in moderation is a desirable trait, carried to the extreme it has perhaps wrecked more business ventures than any other one mistake.

THE MOTORIST'S NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

It would be a splendid thing if all automobile drivers would adopt a set of New Year's resolutions—and keep them. A few suggestions follow:

1. I will make it a practice to drive prudently and carefully at all times.
2. I will give due regard to the rights of others, who are as much entitled to the use of streets and highways as I am.
3. I will not be a road hog, nor drive on the wrong side of the road, cut corners or drive at high rates of speed when conditions are not favorable.
4. At all times I will keep my lights, brakes, steering gear and horn in the best of condition.
5. I will be watchful to do my part to prevent an automobile accident in 1932.

Many more suggestions will readily come to mind. Our annual toll of automobile fatalities is rapidly approaching the 35,000 mark—35,000 lives destroyed because of negligence and carelessness. The cure is up to the individual driver. He must face and accept the responsibility that is his when he takes the wheel of his car, if this needless waste of irreplaceable lives is to be stopped.

Professors at the University of Alabama would probably welcome the prison scheme of designating inmates by numbers to avoid confusion. Among the students enrolled at that institution are John James, James John, Jacob Jacobs, Roger Rogers, and three Bernard Cohens.

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Our Meat Department is Under New Management.

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Colma News Notes

Mrs. Mary Silicani has been ill the past week, suffering from a severe cold.

Mrs. P. L. Peterson and daughter Dorothea spent last Saturday in San Francisco.

Mr. Raymond Silicani spent last Sunday night in South San Francisco, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Nielson were dinner guests of Mrs. Kolnes, of San Francisco, last Saturday.

Mrs. Helen Sinclair has been ill several days this week, suffering from a severe cold.

Junior and Jeanette Ramer have been in bed several days this week, suffering from intestinal influenza.

Mr. Ray Greene had the misfortune to step on a nail one day last week while at his work. At the present writing he is at the South San Francisco hospital.

Mrs. Eva Claus spent last Tuesday visiting Mrs. Evelyn Merlo.

Donald and Ralph Ver Linden, of Oakland, are spending several days here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bortis, of San Francisco, spent last Wednesday night with friends in Colma.

Miss Hegre, of San Francisco, entertained Mrs. Nielsen at a delicious dinner last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley, of San Francisco, spent last Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Torre, of Castle Gardens.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bregante and son spent Wednesday of last week with Mrs. Nelson and family, of Werner street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Becker and sons, of San Francisco, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Torre, of Moltke street, last Monday evening.

Mr. Joe Kusber, our local traffic officer, narrowly escaped serious injury to his eye while he was doing some carpenter work at his home on Woodrow street, Daly City.

Mr. and Mrs. Romie Lagomarsino are receiving the congratulations of their many friends upon the arrival of a baby boy, born at Mills Memorial hospital on Thursday of last week. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

The members of the Five Friends Club initiated four new members into their club last Friday evening. The new members are Adolph Cecchi, Orlando Cecchi, Mr. Milani and John Spuri. After the initiation a delicious crab chipping was served to all present. A most enjoyable evening was spent by those assembled.

On account of the annexation to Daly City, the Colma Volunteer Fire Department has nineteen members living in the new Daly City portion. This department will be known as No. 6, and will be given the Dodge chemical truck. The balance of the Colma Volunteer Fire Department will continue on with the Segrave pumping engine. At any time if a fire gets beyond control, Company No. 6 will always be willing to assist.

Wife: "I've been asked for a reference for our last maid. I've said she's lazy, unpunctual and impertinent. Now can I add anything in her favor?"

Husband: "You might say that she has a good appetite and sleeps well."—Montreal Star.

Magistrate: "Witness says you neither slowed down nor tried to avoid the pedestrian."

Motorist: "I took all precautions. I blew my horn and cursed him."—Answers (London.)

"What did you hear at the opera last night?"

"All sorts of things. Smith is going bankrupt; Mrs. Brown has dyed her hair, and the Whites are having a divorce."—Passing Show.

Americans may have little respect for law, but a good many breathe easier after the grand jury adjourns.

SKILLFUL JOCKEYS AT LOCAL TRACK

When the game My Dandy scored in the latest of the five thousand dollar stakes at Tanforan, Jockey John Leyland was just about as much a hero as the Texas bred gelding he had piloted to victory. Owner W. C. Reichart cast aside his usual reserve and, throwing his arms around the rider of his horse, extended to the boy, as he dismounted in the winners ring, the congratulations he so richly deserved. Generalship in the saddle has more than a little to do with the hair-breadth triumph.

Fortunately for Tanforan racegoers, there are plenty of well conditioned thoroughbreds and skillful jockeys at the track. That's the combination that makes for thrills that come only at the races. My Dandy's victory was a particularly spectacular one, that's all.

The "Three Johns"—Leyland, Polard, and Langdon—are accomplished horsemen and do not suffer in comparison with the jockeys who accepted mounts at Tanforan thirty years ago, when the course was built. The Sloans, Martins, Bullmans, of those days, it will be admitted by the most critical have not been surpassed at any time, anywhere.

When it comes to apprentice jockeys Tanforan is equally fortunate. It is worth a trip to the course to watch Lawrence Arnold, Donald Porter, Glen Smith and other "beginners" steer their willing mounts around the oval. It may be Arnold will have to give up his profession before long on account of increasing weight. That's certainly hard luck for the boy himself, and his legion of admirers.

Charles T. Boots has few rivals when it comes to long and continuous devotion to the thoroughbred. Charley is a real character of the turf. Showing no signs of let-up in training his own runner, the Milpitas horseman is among the early risers of the course. The other day the racing strip in the morning was too damp to suit him for a trial by his home bred colt Coalizer, so asking permission from the stewards, had the youngster galloped between races in the afternoon.

Taking up a position near the three-sixteenths pole, Boots kept a close watch on the "action" of the son of War Cry over the back stretch, and, when he thought it was time, waved his handkerchief to the exercise lad to give Coalizer his head. In passing his owner, "Coal" was going at full speed.

To the initiated such trials are almost as interesting as races, with colors up. In fact, Boots has said that to him one race is much the same as another. His greatest thrill seems to come from watching the training performance of a fleet one and deciding whether the fellow is sufficiently tightened for his next engagement.

Xonofol, of the St. Simon tribe, has arrived at John W. Marchbank's Heather Farm for the fast approaching breeding season. This is a stallion that "fills the eye," and his stud career promises to be a notable one. Negofol's good looking son will stand at private contract.

Many horse owners plan to race at Del Monte, following "getaway" of the Tanforan spring meet. Del Monte will be on for three week ends or more, beginning Saturday, May 7.

CHRISTMAS OLDER THAN CHRISTIANITY

That Christmas is much older than Christianity, is conclusively shown by recent historical studies. The Christmas tree, the candles on the tree, and the Yule fire, all come from the worship of the sun and of trees. "Yule" is an old Anglo-Saxon word, meaning "wheel," and the wheel was the sun. Burning of the Yule log was a sacrament of sunshine.

In Northern Europe the darkest day of the year, now December 21, but on early calendars December 24, was observed with supplication to the sun god, and the following day with rejoicings.

"In Rome at the time of Christ's birth, December 25 was celebrated as the birthday of the unconquered sun, with bonfires, candles, garlands and incense," writes Lucy Embury Hubbell in the Country Home. "For more than 300 years after the birth of Christ, His birthday passed unnoticed. And then, in 336 A. D., the first Christmas Mass was held in Rome, where old customs and new creeds were being oddly entwined.

"But though we celebrate the birth of the Christ-child on a date that was originally set as a pagan holiday, we are not wholly wrong in doing it. Nobody knows the exact hour or day when the Infant Saviour was born, but we do know that it was in this season, for the Jews, too, had their Feast of Lights during the solstice, and it was being celebrated when Jesus was born. Thus it was a bright world on which the small Saviour's eyes first opened, with candles twinkling in the windows and along the lanes of little Bethlehem.

"By this time the old customs were too deeply rooted in the souls of men to be torn out."

Commander: "Now, suppose you are on your post one dark night. Suddenly a person appears from behind you and wraps two strong arms around you so that you can't use your rifle. What will you call then?"

Cadet: "Let go, Honey."—Illinois Siren.

Holly and Mistletoe

Proved to Be Valuable

BETTY looked up into the big wild apple tree, upon which hung immense balls of white-berried mistletoe. And there was holly in abundance just beyond. She could get any or all of it, if she wanted to. She could climb a tree like a squirrel. But what good? She didn't want any of it. It was too common. She would be glad to give all of it for a five-cent present from a store.

She dug her bare, frosted feet among the leaves. Mistletoe and holly were great things, she said, but they were no good. She might walk right under a cartload, and there would be nobody to kiss her but the crows and squirrels. She could hang some up, and it would only dry and have to be taken down and thrown away. Not any good or use.

What was that coming up the mountain path? One of those automobile things away up here? She had never seen one as close as this. At once she became conscious and shy, and half turned to flee off into the woods.

But she lingered, for curiosity is stronger than fear even among timid folks and creatures.

The automobile snorted and plugged on, she afterwards expressed it. And then: "Do you know where the Gees live?"

"Done moved away more'n a year ago," answered Betty, a finger in her mouth. "Jake hunted work, an' the family went with him."

"Too bad. There were a number of girls, and we've brought them a lot of presents. 'O, what lovely mistletoe!' noticing what was above their heads for the first time. 'I do wish we could get some of it!'"

"I could, easy," volunteered Betty. "Could you, and will you?" eagerly. "I'd like to carry some of those immense bunches home. They're the finest I've ever seen. Look out! Don't fall!" for Betty was scrambling swiftly up the tree.

Going up, she pulled some long, strong string from her pocket, kept there for snare purposes. Soon great bunches of mistletoe were let down and grasped by the strangers.

"Now if we could find some holly," sighed one of them, viewing the mistletoe with delight.

"I can get you lots," said Betty.

"Can you? Here is a bunchet."

So enough holly was brought to fill the car, with the mistletoe.

Then the presents for the other girls were taken from the car and given to Betty.

"With our thanks besides," said one of the strangers.

"Mistletoe and holly are valuable stuff, after all," laughed Betty, as she watched them out of sight.—Frank H. Sweet.

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His Christmas Gift; He Had Given and Received

CHRISTMAS gifts with bright wrappings, cards and messages with gay and happy greetings filled Larry Moore's dressing room, but the great comedian, lonely and homesick for his loved ones, oblivious of them and of the deafening applause of the audience out in front, stood with tear-dimmed eyes, gazing lovingly at the photograph of a lovely woman.

The only gifts he wanted were Betty and the youngsters. The only applause was Betty's approval. He could picture five-year-old Larry Junior, in his excitement over "Santy's" long anticipated visit, and little Betty, almost a year old, whom he had never seen. With a sob he dropped his head into his hands.

Then a knock at his door and his manager asking if he would give an encore—the audience was demanding it. "Tell them," he began and stopped. "Wait," he said. Betty's eyes were pleading with him, and there was a trace of disappointment in them. "You will always play the game, I know," she had said once when he was feeling especially discouraged. Pressing the picture to his lips he promised—"I will play the game, Betty dear; I won't be a quitter." And he called in a steady voice—"Coming!" His game was to give and he would play it.

He was before the footlights, greeted by renewed applause. He stood for a moment until the applause had quieted, then ignoring the questioning looks from the orchestra he stepped forward and gave his Christmas gift to the world. Without accompaniment he sang "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem." The theater and audience vanished before him and instead was a church hung with holly and pine, and there was a Christmas tree, and he heard a boy's fresh tenor voice singing these same words.

A deep reverent silence was over all as he finished, and on the singer's face was the glorified smile of a victor. As he left the stage a burst of applause went with him. Oblivious of those waiting in the wings to greet him he hurried back to tell Betty he had played the game. And there was his reward—on the table was a telegram, Betty and the youngsters would be with him tomorrow. Tears of joy blinded him—he had played the game—and won—he had given and received.—Blanche Tanner Dillin.

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Plum Pudding's Ingredients

The number and richness of the plum pudding's ingredients once used to represent the rich gifts which the kings laid at the feet of the Child Jesus.

How Caesar, the Janitor, Enjoyed His Christmas

THE Barrows family was having a gloomy Christmas. Mrs. Barrows, depressed by recent misfortune, made little effort to enliven the atmosphere, and Mr. Barrows, resenting her gloom, became gloomy himself. Robert, home from college for vacation, was blue because a sprained ankle kept him from the holiday dances.

So it was only ten-year-old Mabel who was in tune, and even she felt rather wistful as she looked out on the snowy street. Suddenly, she gave a startled exclamation:

"Oh, mother! Here comes Caesar! I forgot to tell you I'd invited him to dinner!"

"Caesar! The colored janitor at the church?" cried Mrs. Barrows.

"Yes; the other night when I asked him where he was going to have Christmas dinner, he said, 'No place, honey; I ain't got no mo' home dan a alley-cat' and so I told him to come here. I forgot to tell you."

Mrs. Barrows, who could always rise to a social emergency, smothered her irritation, and hurried to the kitchen, and when the glorified Caesar, in well-brushed suit, shining shoes and red necktie was ushered into the dining room he found a small, well appointed table set for him in one corner.

"Dis suah is great doin's!" he exclaimed; and throughout the meal he kept up a stream of jokes and reminiscences which set the family at the big table first into chuckles and then roars.

When the dessert was finished, Robert asked Mabel to bring his banjo down from his room, and for an hour he played and sang college songs and negro spirituals, while Caesar chimed in with his rich baritone until the room rang with melody—and harmony, too, of more kinds than one.

When the plaintive strains of "Going Home" were ended, Caesar said:

"Wal, I nevah did hyah dat tune befo', but it seems lak I knowed how to sing it jes' by intermission, as day say. Ah reckon dat tune is a purty good one to go home on—an' I've bothered you-alls long enough anyway."

"No bother!" exclaimed Mr. Barrows heartily. "You've done us all a lot of good."

"Yes," said Mrs. Barrows, "you've cheered us all up immensely."

"Hyah! Hyah!" came the rich negro chuckle, "Ah reckon you-all don't need much cheerin' up. You's a mighty cheersome family."

And Caesar departed, leaving echoes of laughter and song.—Myrtle Koon Cherrymann.

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Christmas

CHRISTMAS seasons pass away. The brightness and the cheer merge into the drab of routine life. The tokens of love and appreciation fade into dim memories. The toys are broken, the candy and the nuts are eaten and the laughing children grow up chasing other pleasures.

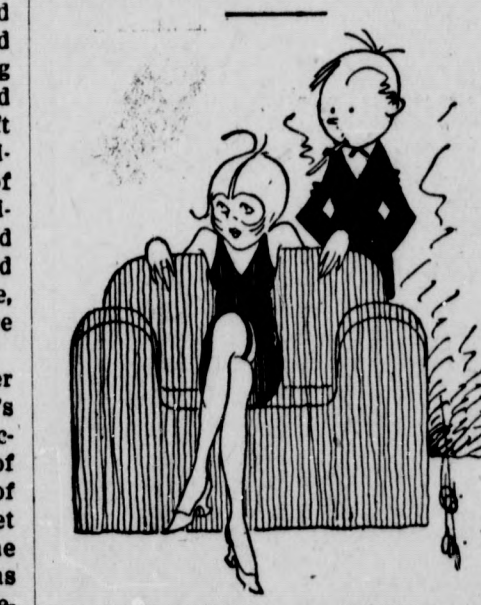
The burdens laid down, for the time, by older people are taken up again; the stooped forms go trudging on and the world forgets.

But Matthew's story of Joseph and Mary, the wise men and the star, with Luke's story of the child, the angels and the shepherds stand out always bright and clear unmarred or dimmed by centuries.

The star will come again and bring the wise men. The angels will sing again the same old song. A multitude of children will share again like joys of other years. New pleasures, new hopes and new aspirations will crowd another season. Matthew and Luke will tell again the deathless stories which give to Christmas immortality.—William L. Gaston.

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BELIEVING IN A SANTA



He—I suppose you still believe there's a Santa Claus.

She—I did—until you came along.

First Observance of Christmas

The first observance of Christmas December 25, was sometime about the middle of the Fourth century after Christ. Until that time the date of His nativity was not settled definitely, since the early Christians considered the observance of birthdays a pagan custom.

CHRISTMAS CARDS REVEAL CHARACTER

People can read your character by your choice of Christmas cards. This is revealed in a study made for Collier's Weekly, which shows that at Christmas time people have a tendency to get free of themselves for a little time.

People who live in city apartments, for instance, are apt to send drawings of farm houses that nestle cozily among tall trees, with wood sparks and hearth smoke lifting toward the bright winter stars.

A lawyer's holiday card is sure to be sugary with sentiment. Bankers generally go in for a little personal-interest note, with emphasis on the human touch.

Day-after-tomorrow people of radical minds load the mails with missives that sketch the days and ways of long ago.

MAGIC IN THE AIR

Yes, sir, there's magic in Christmas Day—magic that mellows the stubborn heart, warms the sternest face, and makes this old world a happier, friendlier place.—American Magazine.

CERTIFICATE OF INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FICTITIOUS NAME.

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Know All Men by These Presents, That I, the undersigned, C. T. McDonough, do hereby certify: That my name in full is C. T. McDonough, and that my residence is Apt. 402, 429 Eddy Street, San Francisco, California.
That I am transacting business in the State of California under the fictitious name and style of The Depot Garage, and that I am the sole owner and proprietor of said business; that the principal place of business is No. 414 2nd Avenue, San Mateo, California.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 16th day of December, 1931.

C. T. McDONOUGH.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, City and County of San Francisco ss.

On this 16th day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, before me, Dorothy H. McLennan, a Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, personally appeared C. T. McDonough, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in the City and County of San Francisco, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

DOROTHY H. McLENNAN,

Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

(SEAL.)

(ENDORSED.)

FILED in the office of the County Clerk of San Mateo County, California, December 17, 1931.

E. B. HINMAN, County Clerk.

By W. H. AUGUSTUS, Deputy Clerk.

Frank B. Thompson, Attorney at Law, 309 Hearst (Examiner) Building, San Francisco, California.

Dec. 25, 1931; Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 1932.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Monday, the 11th day of January, 1932, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M., at the front entrance to the City Hall of the City of Daly City, County of San Mateo, State of California, the undersigned, Northern Counties Title Insurance Company, a Corporation, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in United States gold coin, the following described property, situate, lying and being in the City of Daly City, County of San Mateo, State of California, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 15, in Block 2, as designated on the map entitled "Jefferson Park Addition," which map was filed in the office of the Recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California, on February 25th, 1926, in Liber 13 of Maps, at page 35.

Said sale will be made to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in a certain deed of trust executed by Maria Giusti and Alberto Giusti, her husband, to Northern Counties Title Insurance Company, a Corporation, as trustee, for the benefit and security of the Anglo-California Trust Company, a Corporation, dated April 8th, 1931, and recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California, on April 9, 1931, in Volume 518 of Official Records, at page 324.

Notice of breach of said obligation and election to sell said real property was recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California, on September 3, 1931, in Volume 533 of Official Records, at page 351.

This notice is given in compliance with the demand made on said trustee by Castle Building Co., a Corporation, the beneficiary.

Dated: December 15, 1931.

(SEAL.)

NORTHERN COUNTIES TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Corporation, as Trustee.

By ALEX KIDDIE, Secretary.

1. Karmel, Attorney-at-Law, Humboldt Bank Building, San Francisco, California.

Dec. 18, 25, 1931; Jan. 1, 8, 1932.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Wednesday, the 13th day of January, 1932, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M., of said day, at the main entrance to the banking house of the Anglo-California Trust Company, No. 532 Market Street, San Francisco, California, Anglo-California Trust Company, a corporation, trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, in lawful money of the United States, the following described real property situated in the City of Daly City, County of San Mateo, State of California, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 22 in Block 10 as designated on the map entitled "Map of the Crocker Estate Tract Subdivision No. 1", which map was filed in the office of the Recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California, on June 1, 1908, in Liber 6 of Maps at page 18.

Said sale will be made to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in a certain deed of trust executed by George Lowden and Pauline Lowden, his wife, grantors, to Anglo-California Trust Company, a corporation, as trustee, for the benefit and security of Lindsay Construction Co., a corporation, dated April 21st, 1927, and recorded May 12th, 1927, in the office of the County Recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California, in Volume 301 of Official Records of said County, at page 233.

Notice of breach of said obligation and election to sell said real property was recorded in the office of said County Recorder August 28th, 1931, in Volume 534 of Official Records, at page 238. This notice is given in compliance with the demand heretofore made on the trustee by the beneficiary.

Dated: December 11th, 1931.

(SEAL.)

ANGLO-CALIFORNIA TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee.

By FRED V. VOLLMER, Vice-President.

By FRANK H. LOUGHER, Assistant Secretary.

Dec. 18, 25, 1931; Jan. 1, 8, 1932.

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Ox Cart Brings Potatoes to White House



Bearing a load of choice Irish potatoes, the pick of the Maine crop, an old fashioned ox cart, drawn by two blue ribbon-winning Hereford oxen, rumbled into the yard at the White House, just in time for Mr. Hoover's Thanksgiving day dinner. The photograph shows Frank P. Washburn, commissioner of agriculture of Maine, left, presenting the potatoes to Mr. Hoover. Lendbill Hawks, who drove the oxen, is seen on the right.

The KITCHEN CABINET

Ice Box Cake.—Line the bottom and sides of a bread pan or a round mold with quarter inch slices of any sponge cake. Pour over this a layer of canned apricots cut into pieces, a thick layer of whipped, flavored cream and another layer of cake. Fill the mold nearly to the top with cake for the last layer. Then pour over it slowly the juice from the apricots cooked thick with sugar and cooled. It may be garnished with more whipped cream and shapely pieces of apricots.

Fish Veloute.—Scald a pint of milk in a double boiler with one-half cupful of dry bread crumbs. Put two tablespoonfuls of butter in a saucepan, when melted add one-half pound of fillets of fish and two slices of onion forced through a food chopper; stir and cook ten minutes. Add to the milk one cupful of fish stock made

from the bones of the fish and cook ten minutes. Add three-fourths of a tablespoonful of lemon juice, one and one-half teaspoonfuls of salt, one-half teaspoonful of paprika, and rub through a sieve. Return to double boiler, and just before serving add one-third of a cupful of cream mixed with two egg yolks.

Scrambled Eggs Royal.—Cook two ounces of macaroni until tender. Mix with four beaten eggs, one teaspoonful of salt, six tablespoonfuls of cream. Melt two tablespoonfuls of butter and scramble the eggs with the macaroni. Dust with paprika.

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My Neighbor Says:

HOT food should not be put into the refrigerator, as this raises the whole refrigerator temperature, and may result in the deterioration of other foods. The practice also wastes ice.

Do not take too thick a paring off potatoes. The best part of the potato is near the skin. On the other hand, parings from turnips should be thick. The turnip has an outer part that destroys the flavor of the whole if not thoroughly removed.

A teaspoonful of honey in a cupful of hot milk is one of the best drinks for small children.

If you break glass on the floor don't brush it up. Wet a woolen cloth and pat gently. In this way you gather up the smallest silvers without any trouble.

Oyster shells burned in a kitchen or parlor stove will remove clinkers from the grate.

Tank Perfecter Dies.—Berlin.—Friedrich Wilhelm Goebel, who was credited with perfecting the advanced type of tanks which Germany used with startling effect in the World war, died recently in extreme poverty.

SIAMESE ENVOY



H. E. Phya Subarn Sompat, who has been Siamese minister to Japan, is the new envoy from his country in Washington. This photograph was made on his arrival in San Francisco.

How It Started

By Jean Newton

Why Do We Say "Mirror"?

ANY globe-trotter can tell you exactly how many miles it is from Rome to London. He will also tell you that in between is Paris, and if he knows his fashions, he will inform you that it was in Paris that the first "mirror"—forerunner of today's mirror—was used.

But, you may ask, what has Rome and what has London to do with it? This is what it has to do with it: Our word "mirror" is rooted in the Latin "miror" meaning "to look with wonderment." The first mirror undoubtedly was a limpid pool, and sometimes the reflection there was in

deed something to look upon with wonderment.

Of course, it would be Paris that would find the first ready need for the "miroir"—and in all manner of ornate designs. And it was the influence of Paris that finally brought the use of this indispensable article of the toilet to London and from there to America.

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Plesiosaurus' Skeleton Found by Montana Man

Roundup, Mont.—The almost complete skeleton of a plesiosaurus, a prehistoric marine reptile, was found recently by three Roundup men.

The fossilized remains of the animal were uncovered near Pole creek, about 18 miles west of here, while the men, Louis Hartmouth, Dr. J. H. Johnson, and F. C. Montgomery, were on an exploring trip.

The skeleton indicated that the animal was from 15 to 16 feet long. It was imbedded in Bear Paw shale about five or six feet below the surface.

A plesiosaurus, which lived in the Mesozoic age, had a long neck, a small head, and four paddles, corresponding to legs, which it used for swimming. The skeleton found near Pole creek was smaller than those found elsewhere. One was found in England which was from 25 to 30 feet in length.

Hartmouth also has found a section of connected, movable vertebrae of a member of the ammonite family, a low form of animal life, which was especially plentiful during the Mesozoic age.

Farmer Says Skunks Help Tobacco Crop

Marion, Va.—T. J. Hickam, Lee county farmer, has found skunks useful in tobacco growing. Hickam noticed many stalks of his barley had been eaten and then discovered worms were responsible.

After that he saw skunks dodging through the patch picking off the worms.

Hunter Avers Squirrel Pilfered His License

Hagerstown, Md.—Roy Pervance used to be a good hunter. Now he's a candidate for presidency of the "Tall Story" club.

Pervance lost his hunting license and he is ready to affirm that squirrel stole it.

"I lay down beneath a tree to sleep," he said. "When I awoke I was attracted by a noise in the tree above and, looking up, saw a squirrel trying to pull something over the entrance to a hole in the tree. It was my own hunting license, which the squirrel had picked from my coat. He was trying to fasten it over the hole, presumably as a 'house number.'"

Lights of New York

By WALTER TRUMBULL

M. H. Aylesworth and Bruce Barton are fast friends, but before they knew each other very well, Mr. Aylesworth wanted Mr. Barton to do some writing for the electrical industry. So he took him out to dinner and sold him the idea. The next day, in the cold light of morning, Bruce Barton reflected that he had more work than he wished to do anyhow, and that he foolishly had taken on an additional burden. So he sent Mr. Aylesworth a telegram telling him he was sorry, but must reconsider. A message came from Mr. Aylesworth saying that everything was all right, but would Mr. Barton dine with him again. Mr. Barton would and did, and Mr. Aylesworth sold him the idea a second time. Moreover, on this occasion, he had brought with him all the papers in the case, and he gave them to Mr. Barton.

The first thing upon which Bruce Barton's eyes lighted the next morning was this mass of data. It gave him a headache just to look at the outside of it. Hastily he dressed so as to get to the office early and send all the stuff back to Mr. Aylesworth. With it went a message that Mr. Barton had reconsidered. It really

would be impossible for him to do the work. And, murmuring something about slick talkers, Mr. Barton resumed his daily tasks.

By this time the ordinary man might have been a bit discouraged; but not M. H. Aylesworth, known to his friends as "Deac." He would not have taken up the matter in the first place except that he had decided Bruce Barton was the man he wanted for the job. So he merely asked Mr. Barton to dine with him again, at a different club; he always changed the surroundings, and there, for the third time, he sold him the idea of writing the stuff, and gave him back all the data.

When Mr. Barton, the next morning, galloped to his office to send back the papers and leave strict orders that he was out to any invitations to dinner with Mr. Aylesworth, he found a pile of telegrams. There were many telegrams, and more coming in all the time. Each was signed by one of the most prominent names in the country. These names included statesmen, masters of industry and presidents of banks. Some had signed to them the names of edi-

Here's the Modernistic Tango



Rosita and Ramon, noted dancers, are shown doing the new modernistic tango. According to them, this new dance is a forerunner of a complete revolution in the dance world. It has neither rhythm nor definite beat. That is left to the dancers. The two steps shown here are known as the dinamico and the moderno.

The Children's Corner

Edited by DOROTHY EDMONDS

The Flower of Egypt

It was a sunshiny summer morning in long ago, far away Egypt. In a garden surrounded by orchards and vineyards, a little girl was playing among the flowers.

"Taia," called her mother's voice. "Come here. We must make garlands and bouquets for our guests who come today."

Taia quickly obeyed the summons. She loved to prepare the floral gifts for the visitors. These were made of different flowers according to the time of blossoming. Sometimes they were violets, sometimes roses and again chrysanthemums.

Today the flowers were lotus blossoms which one of the slaves had gathered from the pool in the garden. Taia loved these beautiful water lilies which she had always been told were the flowers of the gods.

There were two kinds of these blossoms. One was white and opened in the evening, the other blue with its petals lying expanded in the sunshine as if to catch the hue of the sky above. Taia liked this one better because she could see it when she was at play, while the white one opened only at night time.

While Taia worked on the garlands she asked many questions about her favorite.

"It is our country's flower," replied her mother, "The 'Lily of the Nile' and it is honored everywhere."

When the pleasant task of garland making was finished Taia and her mother went to the house. Around the wall outside and within the rooms stood pots of growing plants. Taia was allowed to arrange some of the lotus blossoms in vases for decoration. In honor of the expected company

she was dressed in the dress embroidered with lotus blossoms. Later when the guests arrived she watched the servants throw the garlands around their necks, and offer each a small bouquet to hold in his hand. When the guests praised the beauty of the flowers Taia was greatly pleased.

At the noon meal, lotus bread was served, which Taia always liked. She knew that this was made from the seeds of the plants, for she had often seen the servants grind it into flour.

This was a festival day and there were to be special ceremonies in the temple near Taia's home. She was delighted that she was to attend with all the grown-up people.

Once more lotus blossoms were brought and Taia, like the others, was given a handful to carry with her. In the temple she saw many of these flowers placed before the statues of the gods and she reverently laid her own offering among them.

Flower Puzzle



What four well-known flowers can you spell from these ten letters? You may use each letter as many times as necessary.



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LITTLE OF EVERYTHING



Boarding House Mistress—Did you say the soup had everything in its favor, Mr. McLean?

Boarder—Why-everything in its flavor, Mrs. Bunk.

tors. The tenor of each was the same. One and all congratulated Mr. Barton on having accepted a job for which he so eminently was fitted and which, done by him, would be of benefit to industry, the country, and the world at large. At this point in the proceedings, Bruce Barton gave up. He naturally knows super salesmanship when he runs across it. But it must have cost "Deac" Aylesworth considerable money to send those telegrams.

A geologist told me this story. Once, on the Jersey shore of the Hudson, a sack was found containing the torso of a murdered man. With the severed head, arms and legs missing, there not only appeared to be no way of identifying the body, but no way even of telling where the murder had been committed, or in whose jurisdiction. They thought for a time that the murder might have been committed on some boat. But the sack had been weighted with pieces of rock. A geologist happened to see these and immediately said they were Manhattan schist found nowhere except on Manhattan island. This placed the murder in New York and, working from that, the police finally checked up on missing persons, made an identification, and caught the murderer.

"Whenever you see in the papers," a detective said to me the other day, "that a desperate character has been trapped, either in New York or hiding in some other part of the country, the chances are overwhelming that he has been 'turned in' by somebody. Sometimes it is a woman with a grievance; sometimes a suspicious neighbor; sometimes a relative who hates or fears him. But almost always the police are tipped off by somebody."

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Owl Attacks Children
Bristol, England.—An owl attacked and slightly injured the four children of Austin Hicks, of Breaux, near here, when they climbed into an apple tree in which the bird was nesting.

Who Was Who?

By Louise M. Comstock

ST. VALENTINE

ST. VALENTINE, in whose name expressions of sentiment have been exchanged since early Roman times, appeared frequently in early church history. Monks or priests have been sainted under that name in France, Italy, Spain and South Africa, and it was given special significance in the Third century by a Roman priest noted for his good deeds and also by a certain bishop of Umbria.

But a favorite legend identifies the saint who is responsible for our annual indulgence in lace paper, cupids and sweet ditties with a Roman youth of the early Christian era, who chose to be crucified rather than deny his adherence to the new faith. While lying in prison awaiting execution, he fell in love with his jailer's daughter and left for her a farewell message signed "from your Valentine." Early rites in his honor are identified with the Roman festival of the Lupercal, in which suppliants prayed for success in mating.

Valentines in the familiar heart shape were commonly exchanged in England as early as the Fourteenth century, and St. Valentine's day is mentioned by both Chaucer and Shakespeare. Probably the earliest valentine in the English language was written in 1419:

This day Dame Nature seemed in love,
The lusty sap began to move,
Fresh juices stirred the embracing vines
And birds had drawn their Valentines—!

ANNIE LAURIE

IT IS Annie Laurie to whom tourists pay reverence when they visit, in Forest Lawn Memorial park, Glendale, Calif., the reproduction of the "Wee Kirk in the Heather," the church the heroine of this oldest and sweetest of love songs is said to have attended at Glencairn, near her Scottish home. But 'tis William Douglass, her devoted lover and author of the original version of the poem, to whom honors are due.

Annie Laurie, stripped of Douglass' adoring poetry and the lulling music which we all know, was but a braw Scotch lassie after all, with a "rolling eye" and but little sense of duty. Born in 1682, at Maxwellton house, Glencairn, she grew up to be the most charming and provocative young lady in all Dumfriesshire. How William Douglass felt about her he wrote down for all the world to sing. In spite, however, of her "promise true" of which he boasted in his song, Annie married one Alexander Ferguson while William was off to the wars. As the wicked often do, she flourished, even to her eighty-second year!

Douglass has been as unlucky as a poet as he was in love. Bereft of his Annie Laurie, he was eventually bereft also of his song. The original version had but two verses. The version familiar today is a modern adaptation by Lady John Scott.

"GRAVE ALICE"

TO HER friends Alice Longfellow was the "grave Alice" of her father's loved poem, "The Children's Hour," a thoughtful, widely traveled woman of unusual personal charm. As a young woman she attended Newham college, Cambridge, thus becoming the first American woman to attend a foreign college. She was a member of the first class of Radcliffe, was among those whose vision and energy founded this "Harvard Annex" in 1879 as a four-year experiment in feminine education, and was actively connected with its growth and progress until her death just a few years ago.

But Alice Longfellow couldn't have been such a "grave" little girl after all, for her father, who was already forty-four and famous when she was born and inclined to grandfatherly indulgence toward all his children, wrote of her just after her christening, "The brightest, gayest of girls, who enjoyed the ceremony as much as any of us." And it was Alice he used to tease with that little classic:

There is a little girl, who had a little curl

Right in the middle of her forehead;

When she was good, she was very, very good,

But when she was bad, she was horrid.

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First Train Tunnel

The first railroad tunnel is the Woodhead tunnel, which was begun in the spring of 1839. The first train passed through December 2, 1845. This was over what was known as the Manchester, Sheffield & Lincolnshire railway, now the Great Central division of the London & Northeastern railway.

World's Forest Area

The present forest area of the world, in round figures, is about 7,500,000,000 acres, which is 22 per cent of the total land area, exclusive of the polar regions. The area of actually productive forest, however, is probably one-fourth less than this amount, or 5,500,000,000 acres, which is 16 per cent of the land area.

REALIZATION



"Did he realize anything from his venture?"
"Yes."
"What was it?"
"That he shouldn't have undertaken it."

CAGED

By Courtney Ryley Cooper

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PRECEDING EVENTS

Joe Barry, country youth in New York, ekes out a living as caretaker in a poor-rooming house and accordion player in Louie Bertolini's restaurant. Lured by the open country, he spends a night in the fields, neglecting his duties. Next day Bertolini discharges him. A frequent visitor to Bertolini's offers to befriend him.

CHAPTER I—Continued

"Still live there?"
"No, sir. They're dead."
"Got lots of relatives around there?"
Most country people have."
Joe Barry shook his head.
"No, sir. We just sort of drifted. My dad was a farm tenant."
"What do you really call home—where you've got relatives?"
There was a slight wait.
"I don't know of any."
"And so, in a jam like you're in now—broke and out of a job, there's nobody you can really turn to. That it?"
"Yes, sir." Then suddenly: "I've kind of lost heart, here in New York."
"Why did you come here, anyway?"
"Everybody told me I could get rich here." Interest had loosed the gates of a taciturnity developed though the long knowledge that nobody cared and nobody wanted to know. "I used to play for dances around Waverly and everybody thought I was great. Finally it got so they didn't want the regular orchestra at all, just me."

"So they thought you were pretty good around Waverly. Then they kidded you into coming to New York. When you got here, Broadway told you to go get a rep, is that it?"
"Yes, sir."

"How long have you been at Louie's?"

"About a year."
"Been working at this rooming house on Third avenue about the same length of time?"

Joe Barry answered in a surprised affirmative. Martin enlightened him: "I was in the restaurant last night when Louie was talking about sending up for you. Well, now you're out of a job. Nobody cares what happens to you. You don't care much yourself, do you?"

"No, sir."
"Then how would you like to get ten thousand dollars for a few years' work?"

Joe Barry's lips parted, but he said nothing. Even if he could have thought of something to say, there would not have been the power to utter it. Martin leaned closer.

"Suppose you had a chance to make ten thousand dollars without hurting anything but your sense of pride. How about it?"

"Ten thousand dollars?" At last Joe Barry had been able to utter the words.

"Ten grand," as they say on Broadway. All you've got to do is keep quiet and leave New York for a while."

"Where to?"
The man shrugged his shoulders.
"Oh, up the river a piece, as you'd say in Missouri."

Joe Barry laughed.
"That's what got me into trouble, going up the river a piece. Every spring, I just think I'll go crazy here in town. So yesterday morning, I woke up early and I just didn't even stop to consider. I took all the money I had and went out and caught a bus and got off somewhere up around Newburgh. Then I just wandered around. Gee, it was fun!"

"Yes," asked Martin, non-committally. "Then what?"

"Nothing. I just kept on roaming around. It would have been all right, except that it rained. You know, I sort of made me not care if I kept my job or not, I'd told myself in the afternoon that I'd never go back. Well, I got under a tree and waited a long time until it stopped. Then I started out and got off on a sidewalk. It must have been after midnight before I came back to the main highway I guess there had been an accident. There were some red lights out and something that looked like a truck turned over."

"Anybody around to tell what happened?"

"I don't know. I didn't go up. I thought afterward that maybe I should have gone up there, in case anyone was hurt—still they'd put out red lights, so people must have been there. I just kept on until I saw a light in a farmhouse and went up and asked if I could stay all night. The old fellow must not have liked my looks. He ran me away. So I sneaked over in a field and burrowed into a haystack. I used to do that a lot when I was a kid. It's a great way to dry off; the hay's warm and it soaks up the water."

"Come into town this morning?" asked Martin.

"No, this afternoon. I must have been dog-tired. I slept until after one o'clock. Finally when I did come out, some fellows were in a field in a wagon. They yelled and started for me. I heard one of them shouting to the other about getting a gun, and calling the sheriff. So you bet I ran! They didn't see me again after I ducked into a little grove. I caught

the bus about four miles down the road." Joe Barry shifted suddenly. "But here I've been going on—"

"Quite all right. It was very interesting." Then, at quick variance, Martin asked: "I gather you haven't a sweetie here in New York?"

"No such luck, Mr. Martin. Why?"
"Just thought I'd ask." His voice became more crisp. "Now about my end of this affair. As I told you, I'm an attorney. Now then I am called upon to represent persons who get into trouble. I have a case now. A young fellow I knew tried to beat the Jones law—transporting liquor, you know. Naturally, my client doesn't care to suffer the penalties. It's largely a matter of circumstantial evidence. So we come to the point. How would you like to step into his shoes?"

There was a moment of waiting.

"I don't think I understand."

"Well, I don't know how to make it any plainer. I'm offering a straight business proposition. You give up your freedom for a while—the Jones law in itself, you know, isn't so bad. Courts have the right to use their discretion on first offenders; it's only the hard-boiled ones who get the maximum, five years, with time off for good behavior. My client can't afford to take the rap, as they call it. You can. I'm offering you ten thousand dollars to do it."

"But I'd go to prison!" The youth's voice carried a tremor; Martin met it with matter-of-factness.

"All right," he answered. "We'll suppose that you go to prison. Think it over. You're a prisoner anyway. Aren't you a prisoner?" Martin asked sharply. "Are you getting any sense of freedom out of this life you're living?"

"No sir; it's just a bed and three meals a day."

"Then you're already caged, in a way. There wouldn't be any shame in it, because a person must have something on his conscience before he



"A Fellow Could Do a Lot With Ten Times That Much Money," the Voice Beside Him Was Saying.

can feel sorry for an act. Now, the matter of income. Suppose you had to do two years. You'd have a roof over your head, three meals a day, comparatively kind treatment as long as you obeyed the rules, care in case of illness, the chance to play in the orchestra and be a trusty, and besides that, you'd have the knowledge that you were just doing a job for which you were being paid nearly fourteen dollars a day, Sundays and holidays included."

Joe Barry felt suddenly dizzy.

"But how would I know—"

"That you were to be treated squarely?" The man drew a hand from his pocket. "Lean forward and count that—I'll snap on the light."

The dizziness increased. Joe Barry's fingers fumbled with the bills; his lips moved with audible undertones:

"Nine hundred and forty, nine-sixty, nine-eighty, a thousand—"

"A fellow could do a lot with ten times that much money," the voice beside him was saying. "He could go out into some little town and buy himself a little business and a home. Or get a farm if he liked that kind of a life. What's a few years anyway? You're only about twenty-five."

Sunshine Helps Children

Dull children may be made brighter by the use of ultra-violet light, is the conclusion of an English medical officer quoted in Good Health magazine.

"When I first used ultra-violet irradiation for the various physical disabilities of children," the article quotes the doctor as saying, "I was struck with the marked improvement in the mentality in many of the cases treated. The pining, querulous, irritable, anemic, self-centered, sleepless child, who is often pot-bellied and emaciated, is transformed into a robust, well nourished and perfectly healthy little animal, full of life and gaiety. All this happens in a few weeks. With the exception of those children who turn out to be definitely mentally deficient, it is unusual to find one who does not show signs of both physical and mental development."

A New Year—and a New Calendar?



Rep. Stephen Porter and George Eastman with the 13 Month-Calendar

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By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

NEW YEAR is at hand, bringing with it new problems to be faced, new ideas to be considered and new opportunities to be grasped or let slip. Will the new year see definite steps taken toward the adoption of a new calendar, that schedule by which mankind arranges his affairs?

Over in Geneva, Switzerland, an international conference is being held under the auspices of the League of Nations to wrestle with the perplexing problem of calendar reform because it is felt that our present system of reckoning the days of the year, with its annoying irregularities and its shifting days, has outlived its usefulness and is hampering human progress. This conference is participated in by representatives of both members and non-members of the League of Nations and should the representatives be able to agree on a new calendar, the next step will be the signing of a treaty which will require separate ratification by the different governments before the treaty becomes a law in each country.

It is the hope of the proponents of calendar reform that such a treaty and its ratification secured this year so that calendar revision may become effective on January 1, 1933, which falls on a Sunday. If this hope is not realized calendar reform probably will be delayed six years, for a new year does not start on a Sunday again until 1939.

So far, more than 185 proposals for calendar change have been submitted to the League of Nations but many of them are absurd on the face of them and others are too complicated or too revolutionary to have much chance for serious consideration. From present appearances the contest between all the different proposals seems to have simmered down to two plans and it is upon the merits of these two that the delegates to the conference will pass in making their decision. One is the proposal for an international fixed calendar, commonly referred to as the 13-month plan and the other is the world calendar, a revised 12-month plan.

The 13-month plan is the device of Moses B. Cotsworth, an Englishman who made calendar revision a subject of his study for many years.

During the Coddridge administration a national committee on calendar simplification was appointed at the request of the League of Nations to inquire into American sentiment on calendar reform. This committee, of which George Eastman, millionaire manufacturer of Rochester, N. Y., is chairman, made a survey and reported that "a large and representative body of American opinion"—particularly the business interests—recognizes the "grave defects" of the present calendar and "demands" a new calendar—preferably one of 13 months, although the committee does not recommend that the American delegates to the League of Nations conference be committed to any one plan.

Mr. Eastman has been the leading proponent in this country of the 13-month plan which, to put it briefly, would

Make every month consist of four weeks. Make every year consist of 13 months of 28 days each.

The additional month should come between June and July and be called "Sol."

Every year there will be one day left over and this is to be considered apart, possibly as a kind of international holiday.

Every four years (leap year) there will be another day to be disposed of in a similar manner.

The proposal of this plan has brought forth the following arguments in its favor:

All months have the same number of work-days, Saturdays and Sundays and are directly comparable.

Each month has the same number of whole weeks. Fractions of weeks at month ends are eliminated.

The shifting of week-day names to different dates in every succeeding year and month is avoided. The fixing of permanent dates for public meetings, court sessions, educational schedules, etc., would be facilitated.

Periods of earning and spending would be coordinated; family and business budgeting would be simplified.

All months would be comparable without any adjustments being necessary for unequal number of days or weeks. Split-week payrolls would be avoided.

A great amount of clerical work would be eliminated, and expense saved, in the preparation of accounting and statistical reports in business, government, scientific, health and home affairs.

As there would be 13 monthly settlements during the year there would be a faster turnover of money; the same business could be handled with less money.

Holidays would always occur on the same weekday. (For the interest of both industry and workers, it has been advocated that, irrespective of where the anniversary dates fall in the week, the holiday itself be transferred to Monday, as now when it falls on Sunday, the anniversary dates not being changed.)

The 13-month plan would revise the calendar scientifically, completely and permanently.

The arguments which have been advanced against the 13-month calendar are these:

The number 13 is not divisible by 2, 3, 4, or 6. The quarters of the 13-months year do not contain a whole number of months.

There would be 13 business closings instead of 12, involving increased bookkeeping.

In general, a greater number of adjustments in comparing past statistics and dates would be required than in the 12-month system.

The introduction of a year of 13 months implies comprehensive change in long established customs.

Superstitious regard for Friday the 13th, occurring every month, is difficult to overcome.

It interrupts, once a year and twice in leap years, the regular occurrence of the 7th day Sunday or Sabbath day of rest.

There would be complications and expense involved in calendar change.

Believing that the international fixed calendar, or the 13-month plan, is too extreme for nation-

The World Calendar

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al and international adoption, a group of Americans organized as the World Calendar association, have offered the world calendar plan, a revised 12-month device. In its behalf they advance these 12 points:

1. The world calendar regulates the 12-month year. It is balanced in structure, perpetual in form.

2. All holidays are stabilized and placed on Monday whenever possible. Christmas remains the same as it naturally falls on Monday, December 25th.

3. Religious customs are respected and upheld with Easter falling regularly on an established date.

4. Astronomical conditions are recognized. It acknowledges the importance of the solar year over the lunar cycles.

5. The quarterly divisions of the year conform to the four seasons as they do now. This is important for agriculture and certain seasonal businesses.

6. The 12 months are multiples of halves and quarters. The equal quarters consist of 3 months; the first month has 31 days; the remaining two have 30 days. These quarters also comprise 13 weeks or 91 days, of which 13 days are Sundays and 78 are week days. Each month has 26 week days. Sunday is always the first day of the week, whereby the continuity of the week is maintained.

7. The odd 365th day of the year is interpolated between December and January; the 366th day of Leap year is set between June and July. These days are known as Year day and Leap day and have a week-day name, Saturday. They fall on the second day of the double Saturday, the last day of December and June. Year day and Leap day are designated as the second Saturday, December 30th, and the second Saturday, June 30th, with the year-date following.

8. January 1st and July 1st fall on Sunday, the first day of the week, and "wandering" Sunday is avoided. A regular rest day every week is vital for the welfare of humanity.

9. Only seven days are changed. Two days, the 29th and 30th in February, are added; the 31st day of March is taken away; to April is given a 31st day; the 31st days of May and August are eliminated; and the seventh day, the 31st day of December, is converted to Year day, an extra day, the second Saturday, December 30th.

10. The 12-month calendar is an economic saving; it does not add to existing expenses; neither does it call for an increase in labor. A chance of injustice through unnecessary fractions is avoided. All phases of living are not subordinated to commerce.

11. This calendar, which is regular in its system, contains a certain variety within each quarter division of the year. Thus it avoids the cut-and-dried method of a fixed, mechanical plan by giving it a flexible regularity. This gives life to its structure.

12. In the world calendar the revisions are few; there are no drastic reforms; and the transition into the new order is made easy by the retention of the twelve months.

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DALY CITY

NEWS NOTES OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Silicani and family, of Princeton, moved back last Saturday to their home on Irvington street.

S. Rudy, of 288 Miriam street, who recently spent two weeks in the hospital, is out and around again, feeling greatly improved.

Miss A. Douglas, of San Francisco, was a dinner guest last Tuesday night at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth McPhedrair, of Riel street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Koch, of San Francisco, were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Verbrugge, of Whittier street, last Sunday.

Fred Collins, of Irvington street, motored to Belmont last Monday night to attend the dog races. He was accompanied by Charles Bodien and Edward Heim.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Segurson, Jr., of Templeton avenue, are receiving the congratulations of their many friends upon the birth of a daughter, on Monday of last week.

Miss Myrtle Augustin, of Mission street, underwent an operation for appendicitis last Tuesday morning at the Community hospital. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

J. L. McCarthy and sons Charles and Albert, of Bellevue avenue, attended the horse racing events at Tanforan last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Felsch and son George, Jr., and daughters June and Drusilla, of Riel street, were visitors in Oakland last Sunday.

Little Eloise Harrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Harrison, of 122 Woodrow street, who has been ill for the past week, is now on the road to recovery.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Sagardahl, of Willits street, are extending their heartiest congratulations upon the birth of a son on Tuesday of last week.

Remember that Hillcrest Circle No. 143, U. A. O. D., will hold a whist party on Monday evening, December 28, in Masonic Hall. Mrs. V. Lombard is chairlady, and assures all who attend a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. H. MacHugh and family, of Oliver street, were dinner guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. MacHugh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe W. Elliott, of London street, San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. January, of Winchester street, wish to thank all of their friends for the letters and words of sympathy they have received in the hour of their sorrow, the passing of Mr. January's mother.

Arthur Flesch, of Oakland, spent Wednesday and Thursday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Felsch, of Riel street.

Mr. A. Ny, of Berkeley, was a dinner guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jules A. Ny, of Riel street, last Wednesday.

Miss Sylvia Evans arrived from Los Angeles on Thursday morning, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Evans, of Winchester street.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sorg, of Woodrow street, are receiving the congratulations of their many friends upon the birth of a son, in South San Francisco hospital, Wednesday of last week.

Christmas cheer from Mrs. Margaret Callan Steele. Just a bundle of friendly thoughts, tied with a string of good wishes for Christmas and the New Year to everyone everywhere. God bless you all.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dorn, of Riel street, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fields, of Geneva avenue, were dinner guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lunt, of Thirty-second avenue, San Francisco.

Tex and George, proprietors of the Tex and George Coffee Shop, on Mission street, take this opportunity to wish their friends and patrons a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. L. January and son, of Winchester street, have moved to San Diego, to be with Mr. January's father, who has been living alone since the recent death of Mrs. January. The Januarys will be missed by a host of friends in Daly City.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lightner, of Bellevue avenue, and Billie Verbrugge, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. William Bolger, of Riel street, when they motored to Beresford last Sunday to visit Richard Bolger, who is convalescing in Community hospital, following an operation for a ruptured appendix.

Mr. D. Smith, of 153 Woodrow street, left last Sunday morning for New York City to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother and other relatives. Mr. Smith will be the honor guest at a family dinner on Christmas, when he will meet relatives he has not seen in over twenty years.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kingsland, of Los Angeles, are receiving the congratulations of their many friends upon the birth of a daughter, on December 10. The little Miss has been named Dorothy Alberta. Edward Kingsland formerly lived on Bellevue avenue, and is well known in Daly City, having spent his school days in this city.

The officers and members of the Crocker Parent-Teachers' Association wish their many friends a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. They also wish to take this opportunity to thank the Daly City Record for the many favors granted during the past year. The members wish you a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

The members of the Crocker Parent-Teachers' Association distributed boxes of Christmas candy to the students of the Crocker school, thereby helping to make Christmas a little more merry for the children. The ladies who assisted the President, Mrs. Ethel Bolger, and Mrs. Julia V. Jordan, the committee chairman, were Mrs. J. Swan, Mrs. H. Grantham, Mrs. R. Abbott, Mrs. Della Campbell and Mrs. G. Walker.

Mrs. Julia V. Jordan, of Bellevue avenue, the Founders' day chairman for the Crocker Parent-Teachers' Association, attended the regular monthly meeting of the Seventeenth District Parent-Teachers' Association held in the auditorium of the San Mateo Union high school, from 10:30 until 12 o'clock last Friday, going as a delegate. At the conclusion of the meeting, Mrs. Jordan, in company with a group of other Founders' day chairmen, enjoyed a delightful luncheon at Dodd's Coffee Shoppe in Burlingame.

The chimes installed in the tower of Our Lady of Perpetual Help church will be an attraction again this year at Christmas time. A beautiful program of Christmas music will be broadcast on the eve of Christmas and again on Christmas day. The first service in the church will be at midnight, and will be conducted by Rev. J. Theodorop, C. S. S. R. The services Christmas morning will be the same as Sunday, 7, 9, 10:30 and 12:15.

SAN FRANCISCO TEACHER HURT IN SKYLINE ACCIDENT

Miss Orpha Corrigan, 22, San Francisco teacher, suffered severe bruises on the chest and cuts on the legs when she and John P. Morris, also of San Francisco, were thrown through the top of their auto last Sunday on the Skyline boulevard just west of San Mateo. Both were thrown through the top of the machine when it skidded and overturned.

BOAT BURNED OFF ROCKAWAY BEACH

The Abraham Lincoln, a San Diego fishing schooner, was reduced to a blackened hull off Rockaway Beach last Sunday night as the result of a blaze following an explosion, and the four members of the crew suffered burns and narrowly escaped drowning.

Captain Frank Sansillito, of the ill-fated vessel, is at the Mission emergency hospital, in a serious condition as a result of burns. The other members of the crew, all of whom suffered burns and exposure, were Joe Carrall, Filomen Pell and Dominic Piero, all of San Diego.

Captain Sansillito, from his bed in the hospital, said that they discovered the boat was leaking. Carrall went below to start the pumps, while the Captain went into the galley to light the oil stove, located directly over the main fuel tanks. A terrific explosion followed, hurling Sansillito out of the door to the deck. He was badly burned. Seeing the flames approaching the fuel tanks, Carrall ordered the men to abandon ship. They were less than 100 yards away when the tanks exploded, almost lifting the craft out of the water and ripping a hole in the midsection.

The men finally reached shore, and were taken to the hospital by spectators, who had been brought to the scene by the sight of the blazing ship.

The Abraham Lincoln was bound from San Francisco to its home port of San Diego. It was a "feeder" boat to the large fishing craft Lake Miraflores engaged in making fish oil and fertilizer at sea.

SCOUTMASTERS OF COUNTY PLAN ANNIVERSARY RALLY

At a meeting of the Scoutmasters of San Mateo county, last Sunday evening, plans which if carried out will make the 1932 anniversary rally the most elaborate celebration ever conducted by the San Mateo Boy Scouts. The rally will be held Saturday evening, February 13, in the San Mateo high school gymnasium, and will be in honor of the twenty-second anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scouts of America. Scoutmaster Charles B. Roberts, of Troop 117, who has to his credit more years of service than any other Scoutmaster in the county, was elected to serve as the director of activities, by a unanimous vote. He will be assisted by a committee of leaders.

For the first time, the San Mateo county Cubs, Junior Scouts, will be given a prominent place in the activities on the rally program, and the demonstrations of Cub activities and craft-work are expected to be entertaining features of the evening's activities.

COMPANY NO. 4 MEMBERS SELECT NEW OFFICERS

The members of Company No. 4, Daly City Volunteer Fire Department, held their annual election of officers last Friday night. The officers elected were: G. R. Augustien, Commissioner; H. Rolph, Captain; J. McQuinn, Lieutenant; A. Chesney, Secretary; H. Hilton, Treasurer; R. Poppiano, Marshal; A. Vireno, delegate to County Association; V. Fenstermacher, alternate.

MANY LEGION POSTS RECEIVE COMMUNITY SERVICE CITATION

More than 250 Posts of the American Legion in California have been awarded Community Service Citations by the national department of the organization for 1931, according to an announcement made by I. T. Quinn of Eureka, state chairman of the Legion's Community Betterment Commission. The citations were given for worthwhile and outstanding service in the communities by the Posts. California Legionnaires have made community service one of their principal objectives and have been instrumental in great improvements in communities throughout the state. Proportionately California Posts of the Legion are cited for this service more than in any other state.

PAVING WORKER SEEKS \$51,000

F. Lombra, paving worker, injured when the truck in which he was riding collided with an automobile and careened into a telephone pole, in San Mateo, November 7, has filed suit in the Superior Court for \$51,000 damages against the Union Paving Company, J. L. O'Donnell, driver of the truck, and S. H. Pope, owner of the automobile. Lombra claims he was permanently injured.

Southern Californian (home from a vacation trip out of the state): "Ah! Doesn't the old bus ride nice, now that we've got the tires filled again with this wonderful Los Angeles air?" —Evangelical Crusader.

"We'll have to get the whole force to handle the crowds today." "Parade? Convention?" "Neither. The president of the baseball club has advertised for an office boy." —Louisville Journal.

A woman in Memphis, Tenn., recently called on police to find her boy, who she declared had stayed out all night, but the desk sergeant called off the search when he heard the "boy" was 20 years old.

SEEK FUNDS FOR EXTENSION OF JUNIPERO SERRA ROAD

San Francisco supervisors have been requested to appropriate \$10,000 to assist extension of the Junipero Serra boulevard south from School street, Colma. The sum would be used to buy rights of way for the extension routed just west of Lawndale. The work is being done by commissioners of highway district No. 10, with Supervisor Thomas L. Hickey, of South San Francisco, as San Mateo county's representative on the board.

FOUR HEIRS ANSWER IN SAVAGE WILL CASE

Denying that Robert A. Savage-Vallejo, nephew of the late Professor W. J. Savage, California educator, is entitled to a share of the estate, four defendants in the nephew's will contest last Monday filed an answer in Superior Court. Young Savage-Vallejo alleges that he inherited his mother's share of Professor Savage's estate. His mother, who died some time ago, was Professor Savage's sister. Two brothers and a second sister were left the estate.

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